

计算机科学与技术专业课程

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# 计算机组成

## MIPS单周期数据通路

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# 提纲

- 内容主要取材
  - ▣ CS617的20讲
- 处理器设计
- 数据通路概述
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# Great Idea #1: Levels of Representation/Interpretation

Higher-Level Language  
Program (e.g. C)

*Compiler*

Assembly Language  
Program (e.g. MIPS)

*Assembler*

Machine Language  
Program (MIPS)

```
temp = v[k];  
v[k] = v[k+1];  
v[k+1] = temp;
```

```
lw    $t0, 0($2)  
lw    $t1, 4($2)  
sw    $t1, 0($2)  
sw    $t0, 4($2)
```

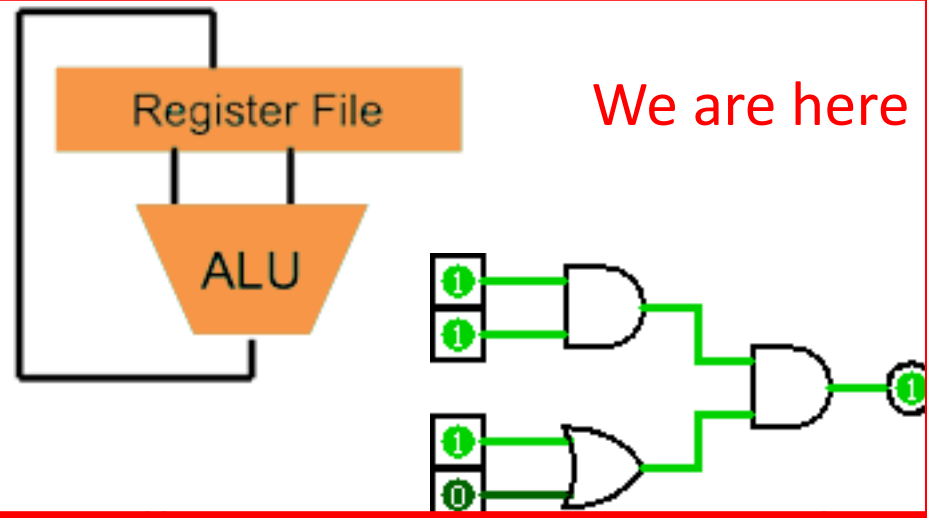
```
0000 1001 1100 0110 1010 1111 0101 1000  
1010 1111 0101 1000 0000 1001 1100 0110  
1100 0110 1010 1111 0101 1000 0000 1001  
0101 1000 0000 1001 1100 0110 1010 1111
```

*Machine  
Interpretation*

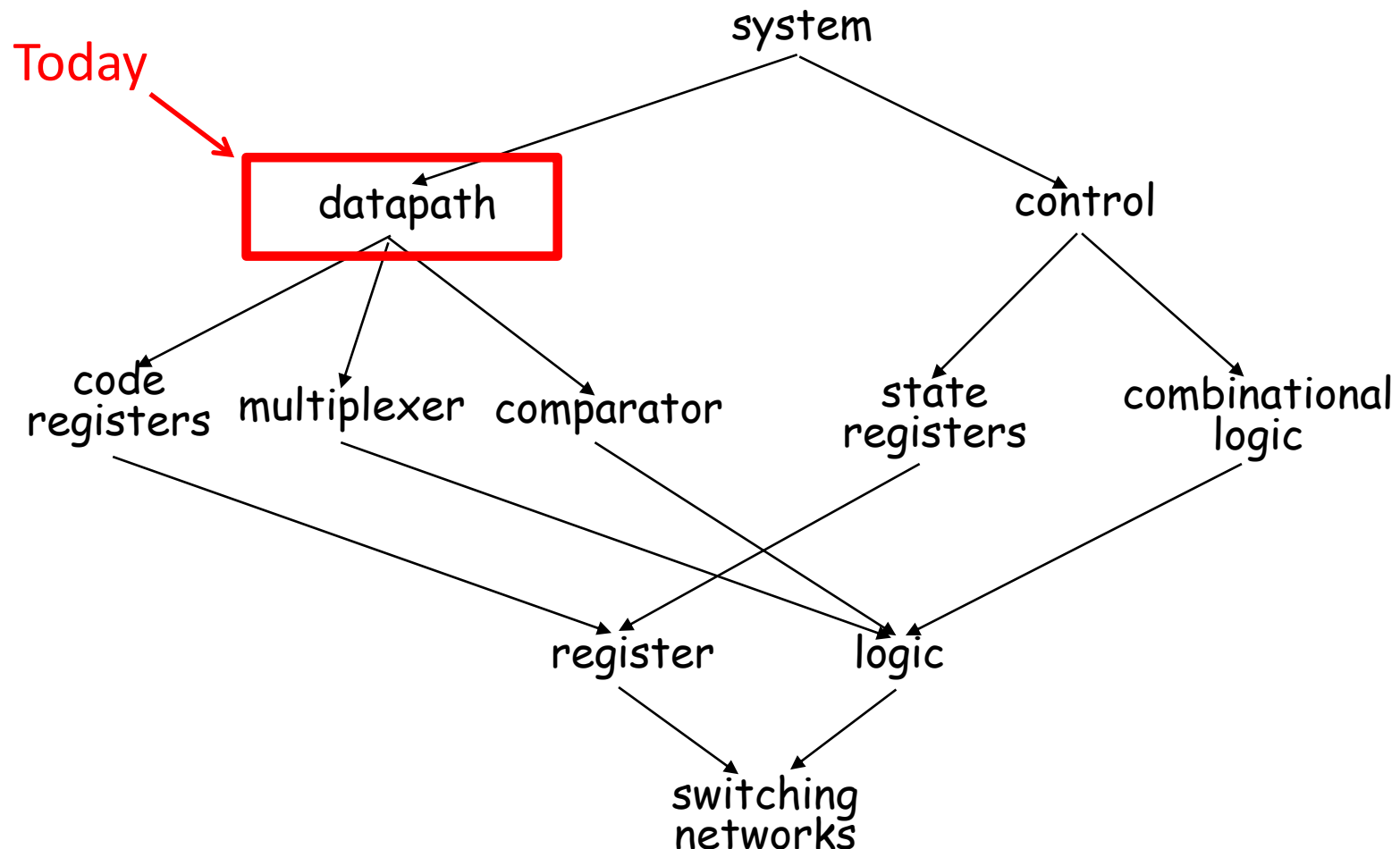
Hardware Architecture Description  
(e.g. block diagrams)

*Architecture  
Implementation*

Logic Circuit Description  
(Circuit Schematic Diagrams)



# Hardware Design Hierarchy

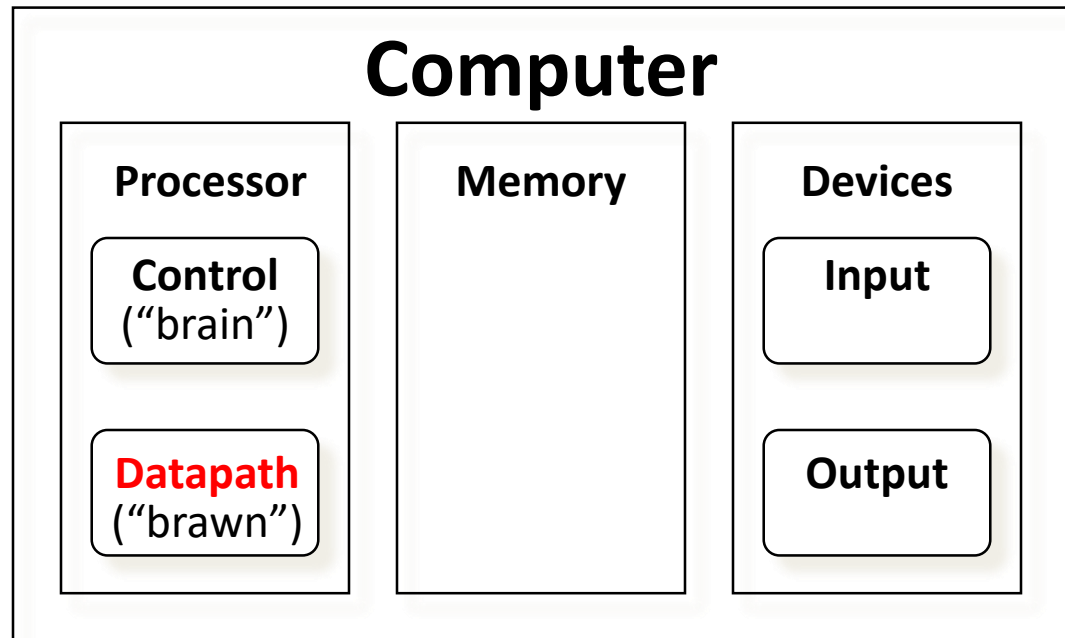


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# Five Components of a Computer

- Components a computer needs to work
  - Control
  - Datapath
  - Memory
  - Input
  - Output

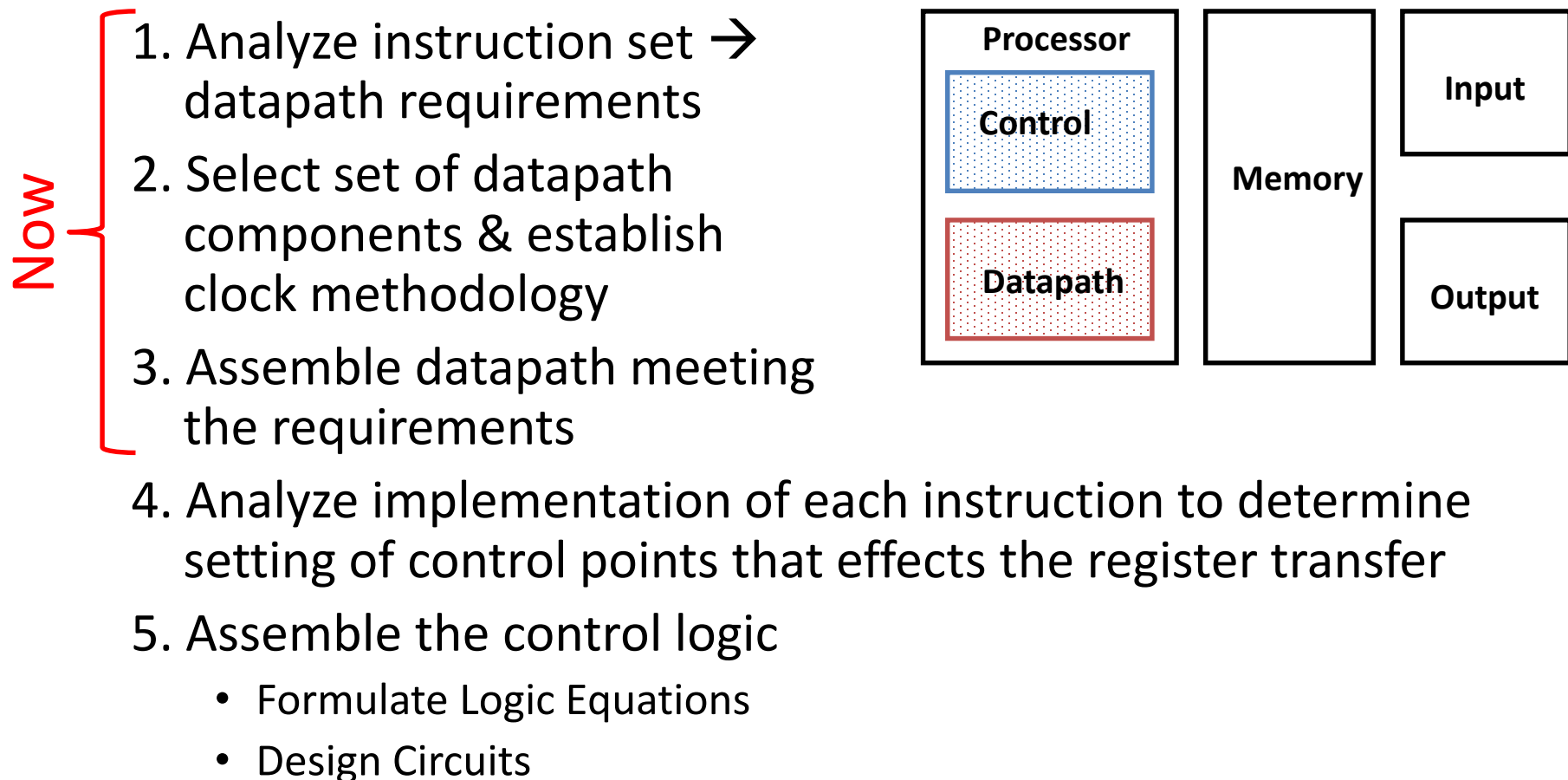


# The Processor

- **Processor (CPU):** Implements the instructions of the Instruction Set Architecture (ISA)
  - **Datapath:** part of the processor that contains the hardware necessary to perform operations required by the processor (“the brawn”)
  - **Control:** part of the processor (also in hardware) which tells the datapath what needs to be done (“the brain”)

# Processor Design Process

- Five steps to design a processor:



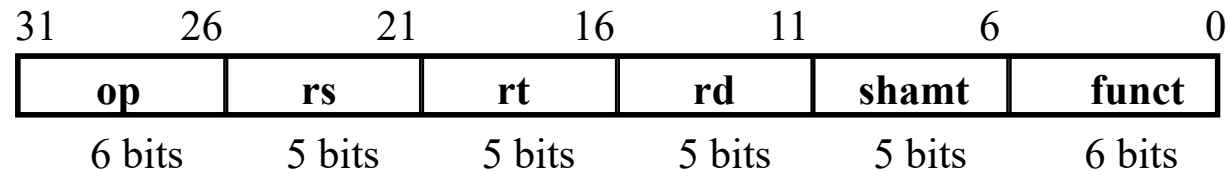


# The MIPS-lite Instruction Subset

- ADDU and SUBU

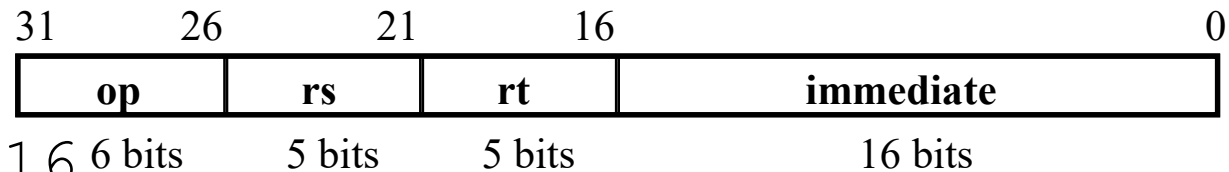
- addu rd,rs,rt

- subu rd,rs,rt



- OR Immediate:

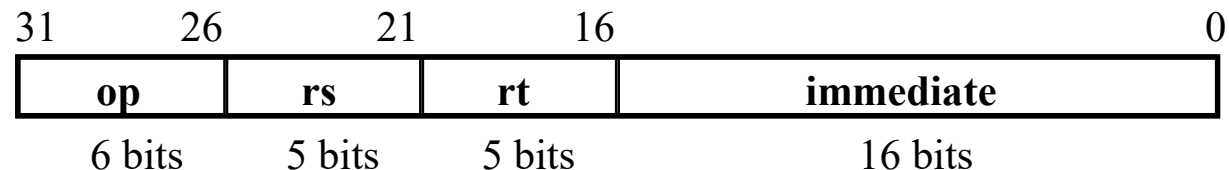
- ori rt,rs,imm16



- LOAD and  
STORE Word

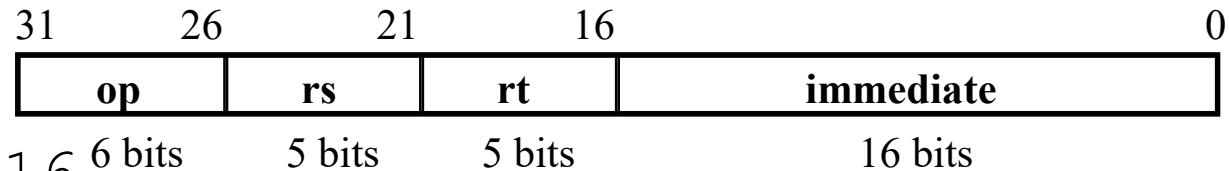
- lw rt,rs,imm16

- sw rt,rs,imm16



- BRANCH:

- beq rs,rt,imm16



# Register Transfer Language (RTL)

- All start by *fetching* the instruction:

R-format:  $\{op, rs, rt, rd, shamt, funct\} \leftarrow \text{MEM}[PC]$

I-format:  $\{op, rs, rt, imm16\} \leftarrow \text{MEM}[PC]$

- RTL gives the meaning of the instructions:

## **Inst    Register Transfers**

ADDU     $R[rd] \leftarrow R[rs] + R[rt]; \quad PC \leftarrow PC + 4$

SUBU     $R[rd] \leftarrow R[rs] - R[rt]; \quad PC \leftarrow PC + 4$

ORI     $R[rt] \leftarrow R[rs] | \text{zero\_ext}(imm16); \quad PC \leftarrow PC + 4$

LOAD     $R[rt] \leftarrow \text{MEM}[R[rs] + \text{sign\_ext}(imm16)]; \quad PC \leftarrow PC + 4$

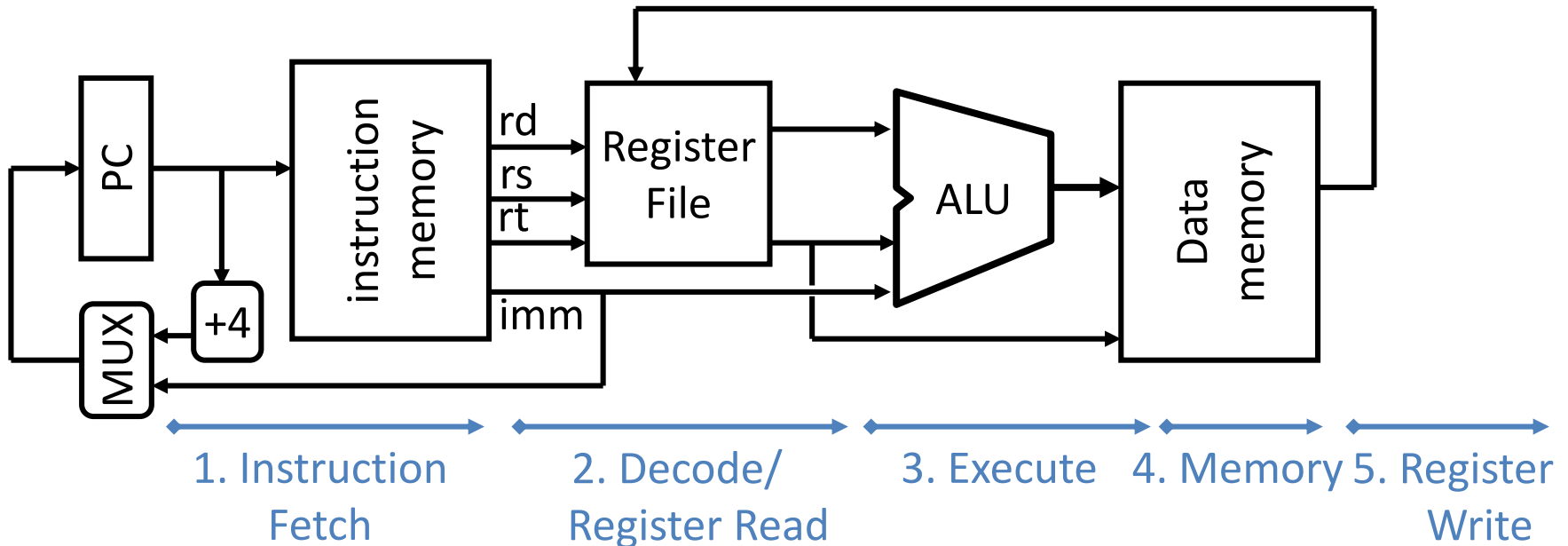
STORE     $\text{MEM}[R[rs] + \text{sign\_ext}(imm16)] \leftarrow R[rt]; \quad PC \leftarrow PC + 4$

BEQ     $\text{if } (R[rs] == R[rt])$   
          then  $PC \leftarrow PC + 4 + (\text{sign\_ext}(imm16) || 00)$   
          else  $PC \leftarrow PC + 4$

# Step 1: Requirements of the Instruction Set

- Memory (MEM)
  - Instructions & data (separate: in reality just caches)
  - Load from and store to
- Registers (32 32-bit regs)
  - Read *rs* and *rt*
  - Write *rt* or *rd*
- PC
  - Add 4 (+ maybe extended immediate)
- Extender (sign/zero extend)
- Add/Sub/OR unit for operation on register(s) or extended immediate
  - Compare if registers equal?

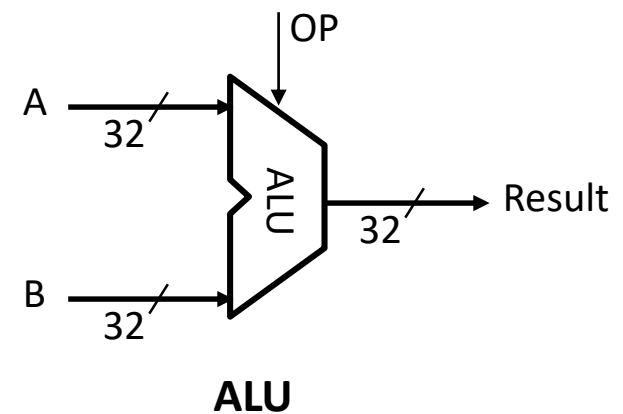
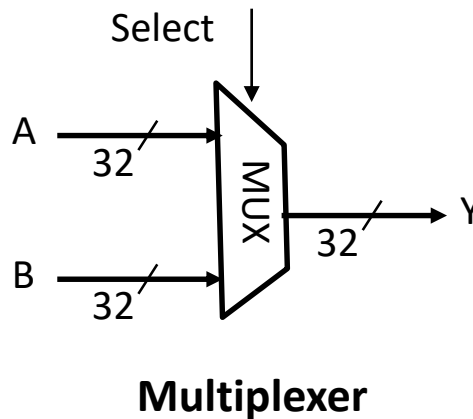
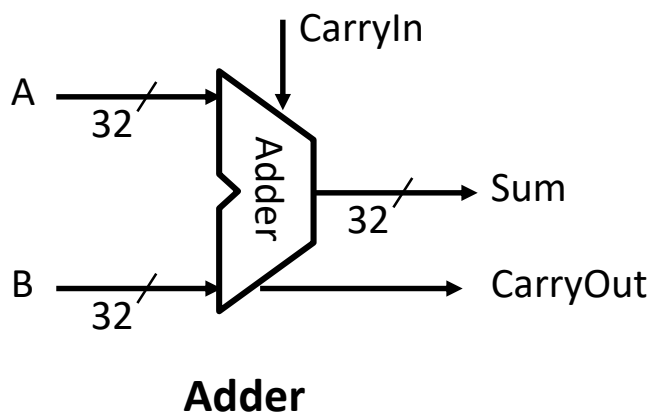
# Generic Datapath Layout



- Break up the process of “executing an instruction”
  - Smaller phases easier to design and modify independently
- ~~Proj1 had 3 phases: Fetch, Decode, Execute~~
  - ~~Now expand Execute~~

## Step 2: Components of the Datapath

- Combinational Elements
  - Gates and wires
- State Elements + Clock
- Building Blocks:



# MUX设计

□ 1位2选1 MUX表达式:  $Y = !S \& D0 + S \& D1$

□ 1位4选1 MUX表达式:  $Y = ?$

$$Y = !S0 \& !S1 \& D0 +$$

$$!S0 \& S1 \& D1 +$$

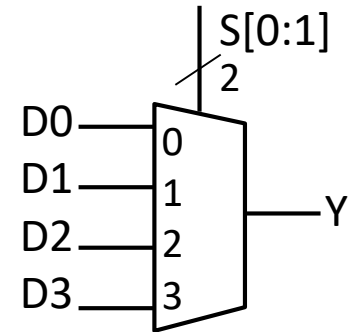
$$S0 \& !S1 \& D2 +$$

$$S0 \& S1 \& D3$$

□ 1位N选1 MUX表达式?

$$Y = \sum_0^{N-1} S_i \& D_i$$

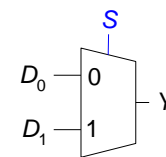
$S_i$ :  $S$ 的组合表示



## Multiplexer (Mux)

- Selects between one of  $N$  inputs to connect to output
- $\log_2 N$ -bit select input – control input
- Example:

2:1 Mux



$S$	$D_1$	$D_0$	$Y$	$S$	$Y$
0	0	0	0	0	$D_0$
0	0	1	1	1	$D_1$
0	1	0	0		
0	1	1	1		
1	0	0	0		
1	0	1	0		
1	1	0	1		
1	1	1	1		

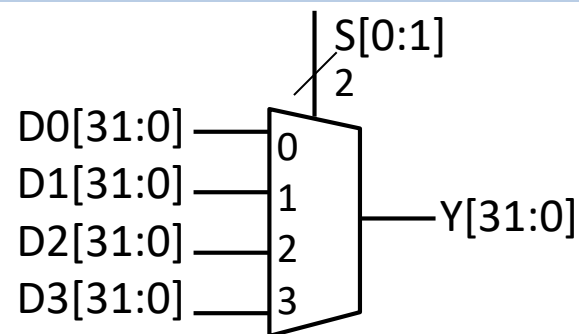
# MUX设计

## □ 32位4选1 MUX表达式：？

- ◆ 就是32个4选1 MUX
- ◆ Verilog表达式

```
assign Y = !S0&!S1&D0 +  
            !S0& S1&D1 +  
            S0&!S1&D2 +  
            S0& S1&D3 ;
```

## □ M位N选1 MUX表达式？



### TIP

表达式简写表达方法，  
即省略了[31:0]

前提：D0~D3及Y的位宽  
一致！

# ALU Requirements

- MIPS-lite: add, sub, OR, equality

ADDU         $R[rd] = R[rs] + R[rt]; \dots$

SUBU         $R[rd] = R[rs] - R[rt]; \dots$

ORI          $R[rt] = R[rs] \mid \text{zero\_ext}(\text{Imm16}) \dots$

BEQ          $\text{if } (R[rs] == R[rt]) \dots$

- Equality test: Use subtraction and implement output to indicate if result is 0
- P&H also adds AND, Set Less Than (1 if  $A < B$ , 0 otherwise)
- Can see ALU from P&H C.5 (on CD)



# VerilogHDL建模4位加法与减法

## 4位加法（无overflow检测）

### 4位加法

```
1 module add4( a, b, c ) ;  
2     input  [3:0]  a, b ;  
3     output [3:0]  c ;  
4  
5     assign c = a + b ;  
6  
7 endmodule
```

TIP:

Verilog的“+”：最基础的二进制加法，是不区分正负数的！

## 4位减法（采用二进制补码运算方法，即加相反数）

### 4位减法（无overflow检测）

```
1 module sub4( a, b, c ) ;  
2     input  [3:0]  a, b ;  
3     output [3:0]  c ;  
4  
5     assign c = a + ~b + 1'b1 ;  
6  
7 endmodule
```

TIP:

也可以采用

**assign c = a - b ;**



# VerilogHDL建模4位ALU

## □ ALU的功能：加、减、或

- ◆ 加/减：不支持overflow

## □ op：控制信号

- ◆ 00~加法；01~减法；10~或；11~保留

head.v

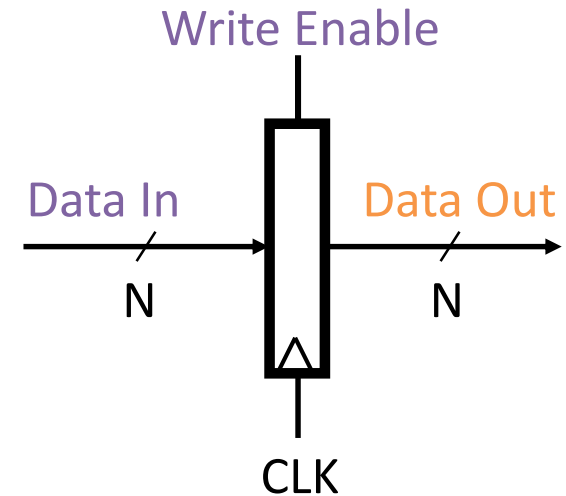
```
`define ALU_ADDU 2'b00
`define ALU_SUBU 2'b01
`define ALU_OR   2'b10
```

## □ 建模方法：利用assign语句实现加法与减法的2选1

```
1  `include "head.v"
2
3  module ALU( a, b, c, op ) ;
4      input  [3:0]  a, b ;
5      input  [1:0]  op ;
6      output [3:0]  c ;
7
8      assign c = (op==`ALU_ADDU) ? (a + b)           : 加
9                      (op==`ALU_SUBU) ? (a + ~b + 1) : 减
10                     (op==`ALU_OR)   ? (a | b)       : 或
11                                     4'b0000 ;      保留
12 endmodule
```

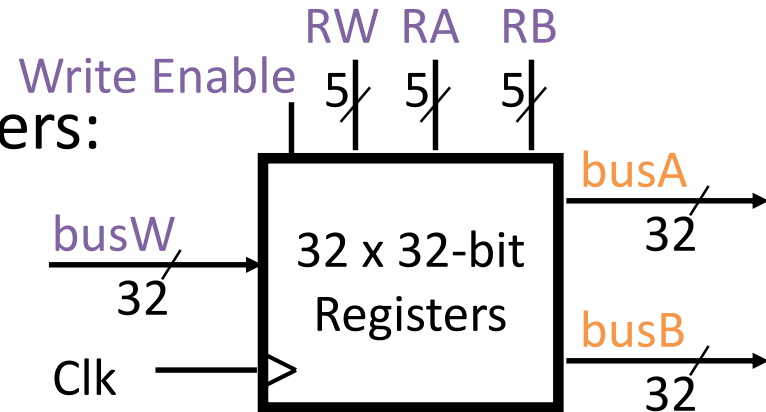
# Storage Element: Register

- As seen in Logisim intro
  - N-bit input and output buses
  - Write Enable input
- Write Enable:
  - De-asserted (0): Data Out will not change
  - Asserted (1): Data In value placed onto Data Out on the rising edge of CLK



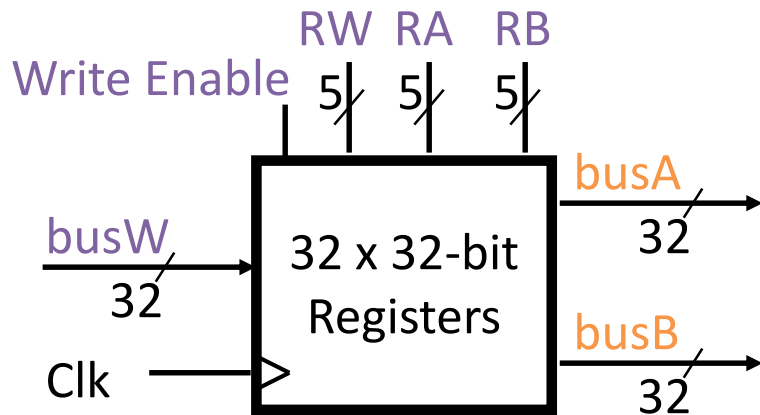
# Storage Element: Register File

- **Register File** consists of 32 registers:
  - Output buses **busA** and **busB**
  - Input bus **busW**
- Register selection
  - Place data of register **RA** (number) onto **busA**
  - Place data of register **RB** (number) onto **busB**
  - Store data on **busW** into register **RW** (number) when **Write Enable** is 1
- Clock input (CLK)
  - CLK input is a factor ONLY during write operation
  - During read, behaves as a combinational logic block:  
**RA** or **RB** valid → **busA** or **busB** valid after “access time”

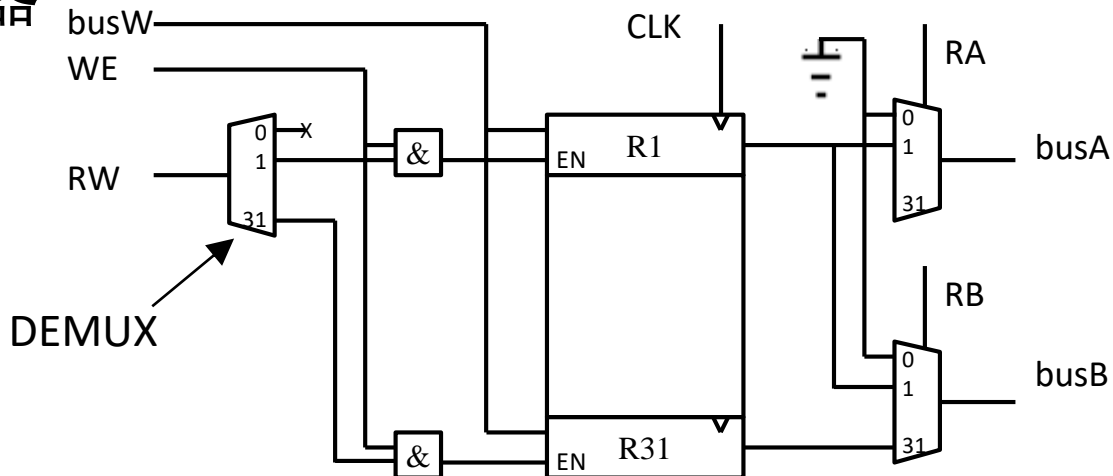


# Register File设计考虑

- 内部需要多少个32位寄存器？
- 读出数据功能：32位31选1 MUX
  - ◆ 2个读出端口是独立工作
  - ◆ 无需彼此等待
- 写入数据功能：关键是写使能
  - ◆ 每个寄存器需要一个写使能
- DEMUX：分离器/解码器



- ❑ DEMUX：分离器/解码器
  - ◆ Demultiplexer
  - ◆ N位编码产生 $2^N$ 个输出
  - ◆ 有且仅有1个输出有效



# VerilogHDL建模寄存器

## □ 1位D寄存器：标准的寄存器

### 1位D寄存器

```
1 module d_ff( d, q, clk ) ;  
2     input  d, clk ;  
3     output q ;  
4  
5     reg    r ;  
6  
7     assign q = r ;  
8     always @(posedge clk)  
9         r <= d;  
10  
11 endmodule
```

r: 寄存器

将r从q输出  
告诉编译器，以下行为按寄存器建模  
时钟上升沿时，将输入保存至r



# VerilogHDL建模寄存器

## □ 1位写使能D寄存器

### 1位写使能D寄存器

```
1 module d_ff( d, we, q, clk ) ;
2     input  d, we ;
3     output q ;
4     input  clk ;
5
6     reg    r ;
7
8     assign q = r ;
9     always @( posedge clk )
10         if ( we )
11             r <= d;
12
13 endmodule
```

寄存器建模的完整写法：

```
if ( we )
    r <= d ;
else
    r <= r ;
```

Q：为什么可以忽略else？

A：对于缺少的分支，编译器会自动补充“**r <= r**”。

# VerilogHDL建模寄存器

## □ 1位写使能D异步复位寄存器

### 1位写使能D异步复位寄存器

```
1 module d_ff( d, we, q, clk, rst ) ;
2     input  d, we ;
3     output q ;
4     input  clk, rst ;
5
6     reg    r ;
7
8     assign q = r ;
9     always @( posedge clk or posedge rst )
10         if ( rst )
11             r <= 1'b0 ;
12         else if ( we )
13             r <= d ;
14
15 endmodule
```

### TIP: 分析方法

由于rst在敏感表中，因此rst的有效和clk的有效，均会导致always语句块执行。这意味着rst对d的作用与clk无关，故这就是异步复位。

Q: 在设计中如何选择异步复位or同步复位？



# VerilogHDL建模寄存器

## □ 32位写使能寄存器

### 32位写使能寄存器

```
1 module d32( d, we, q, clk ) ;
2     input  [31:0] d ;
3     input                we ;
4     output [31:0] q ;
5     input  clk ;
6
7     reg    [31:0] r ;
8
9     assign q = r ;
10    always @( posedge clk )
11        if ( we )
12            r <= d ;
13
14 endmodule
```

TIP:

对于N位寄存器，仅仅改变输入信号、输出信号和内部寄存器定义的位数即可。



# VerilogHDL建模寄存器

- 32位写使能寄存器（用generate-for建模。Verilog-2001标准）

## 32位写使能寄存器

```
1 module d32( d, we, q, clk ) ;
2     input  [31:0] d ;
3     input                we ;
4     output [31:0] q ;
5     input  clk ;
6
7     genvar          i ;
8
9     generate
10         for ( i=0; i<32; i=i+1 )
11             begin : label_d
12                 d_ff u_dff(d[i], we, q[i], clk) ;
13             end
14         endgenerate
15
16 endmodule
```

### TIP

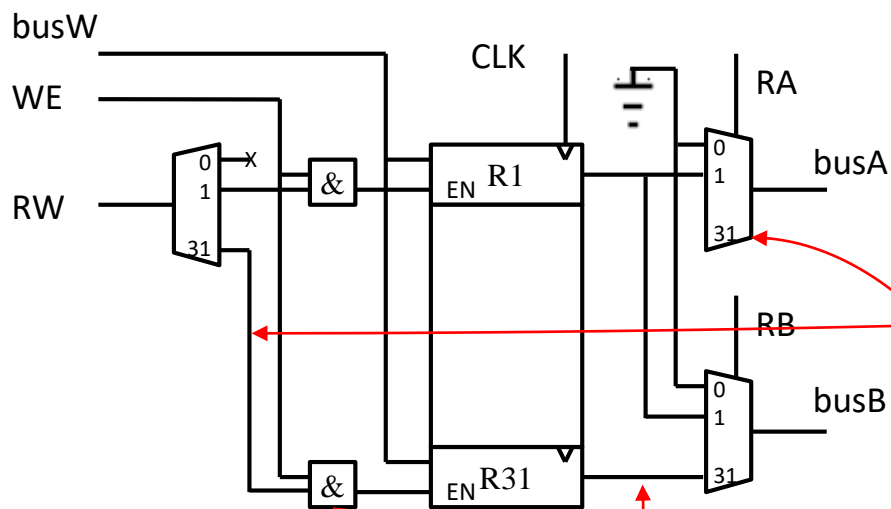
- 1) genvar定义循环变量
- 2) 必须要有for、begin/end
- 3) begin必须要有标签



# Verilog建模RF

## 采用结构建模方法建模RF

### ◆ 其他部分为行为建模



```
wire          we[31:1] ;
wire [31:0] q[31:1]
```

```
genvar i ;
genvar j ;
```

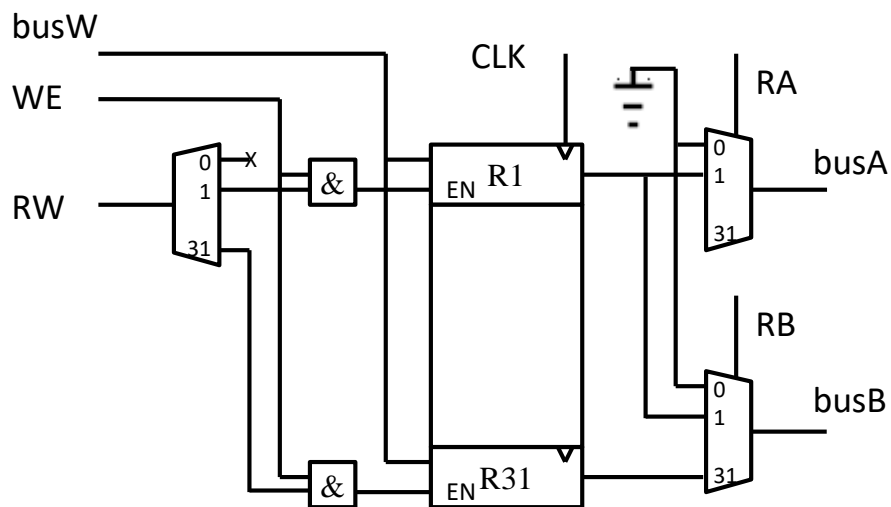
```
generate
  for ( i=1; i<32; i=i+1 )
  begin : label_we
    assign we[i] = (RW==i) & WE ;
  end
endgenerate
```

```
generate
  for ( j=1; j<32; j=j+1 )
  begin : label_d32
    d32 u_d32(busW, we[j], q[j], clk) ;
  end
endgenerate
```

```
assign busA = (RA==0) ? 32'b0 : q[RA] ;
assign busB = ...
```

# Verilog建模RF

- 用行为建模方法建模RF
- RF写入语句利用了RW是输入信号（即RW是变值）这一特性



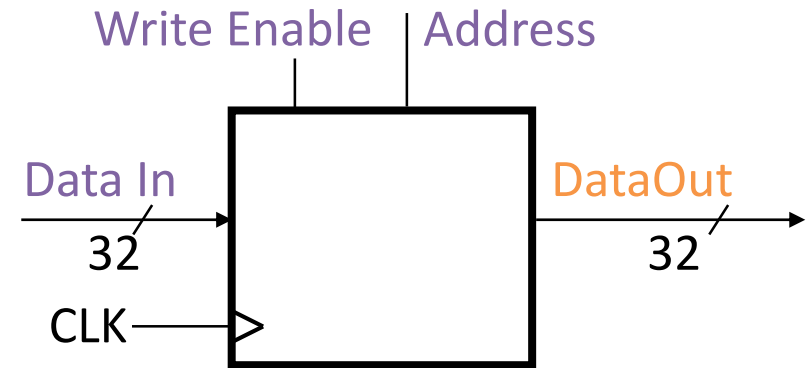
```
reg [31:0] rf[31:1] ;

always @( posedge clk )
    if ( WE )
        rf[RW] <= busW ;

assign busA = (RA==0) ? 32'b0 :
               rf[RA] ;
assign busB = ...
```

# Storage Element: Idealized Memory

- Memory (idealized)
  - One input bus: Data In
  - One output bus: Data Out
- Memory access:
  - Read: Write Enable = 0, data at Address is placed on Data Out
  - Write: Write Enable = 1, Data In written to Address
- Clock input (CLK)
  - CLK input is a factor ONLY during write operation
  - During read, behaves as a combinational logic block: Address valid → Data Out valid after “access time”



# Verilog建模存储器

- 建模要点：内部是寄存器阵列
- 时序特点：写入的数据滞后1个cycle输出
  - ◆ 由寄存器特性决定

```
1  module MEM4KB( A, DI, We, DO, clk ) ;
2      input  [9:0]  A;
3      input  [31:0] DI ;
4      input                               We ;
5      output [31:0] DO ;
6      input                               clk ;
7
8      reg    [31:0] array[1023:0] ;
9
10     assign DO = array[A] ;
11
12     always @( posedge clk )
13         if ( We )
14             array[A] <= DI ;
15 endmodule
```

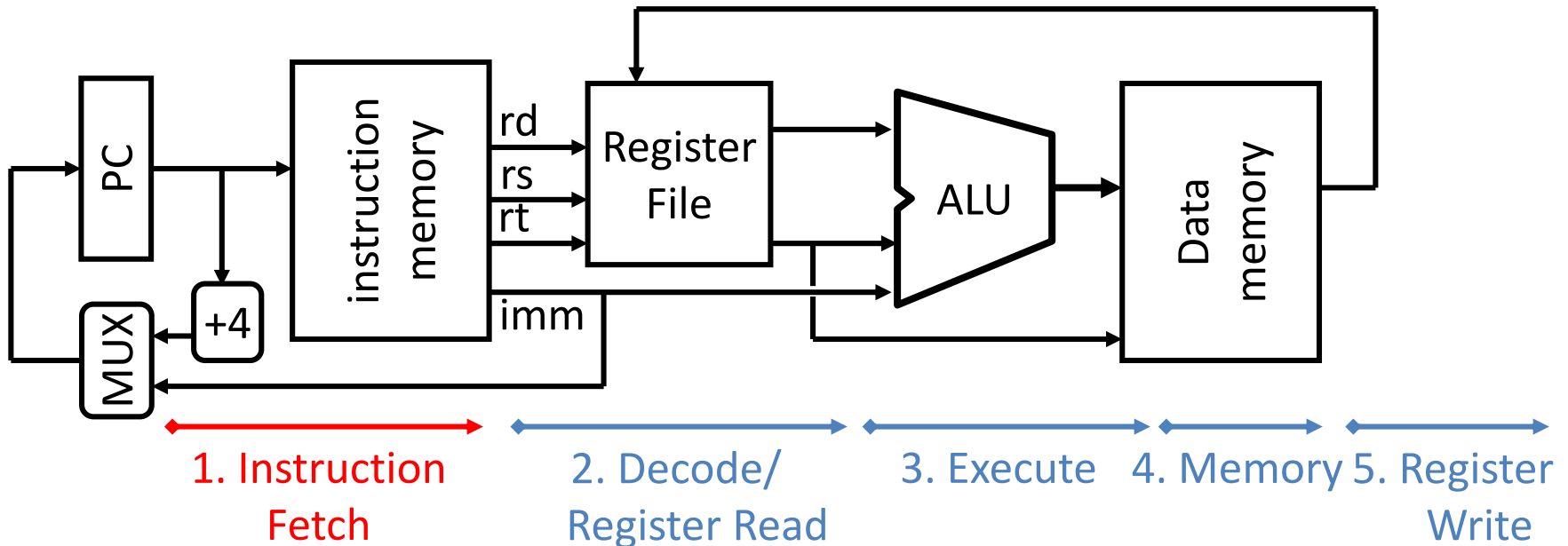
**TIP:**  
建模类似于RF。  
实际设计芯片时，  
会采用定制的库，  
而不会用寄存器  
方式实现存储器。

对于P8，存储器  
要用FPGA芯片内  
置的块存储器。

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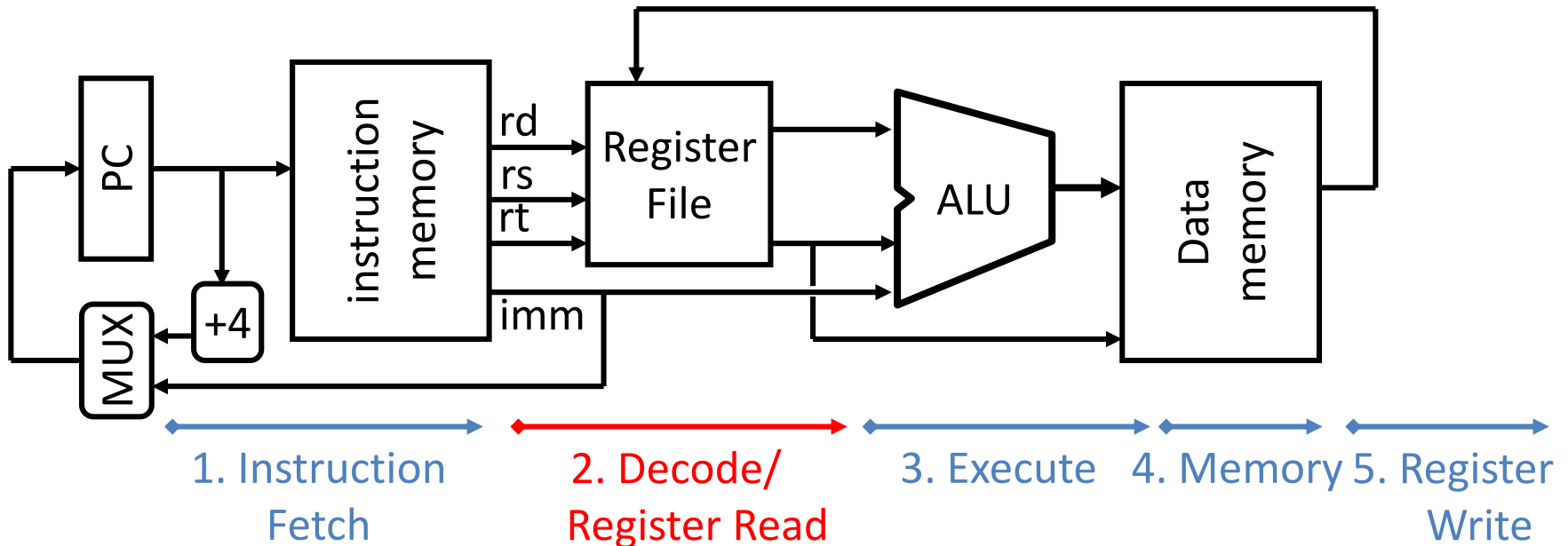
# Datapath Overview (1/5)



- Phase 1: *Instruction Fetch* (IF)
  - Fetch 32-bit instruction from memory
  - Increment PC ( $PC = PC + 4$ )

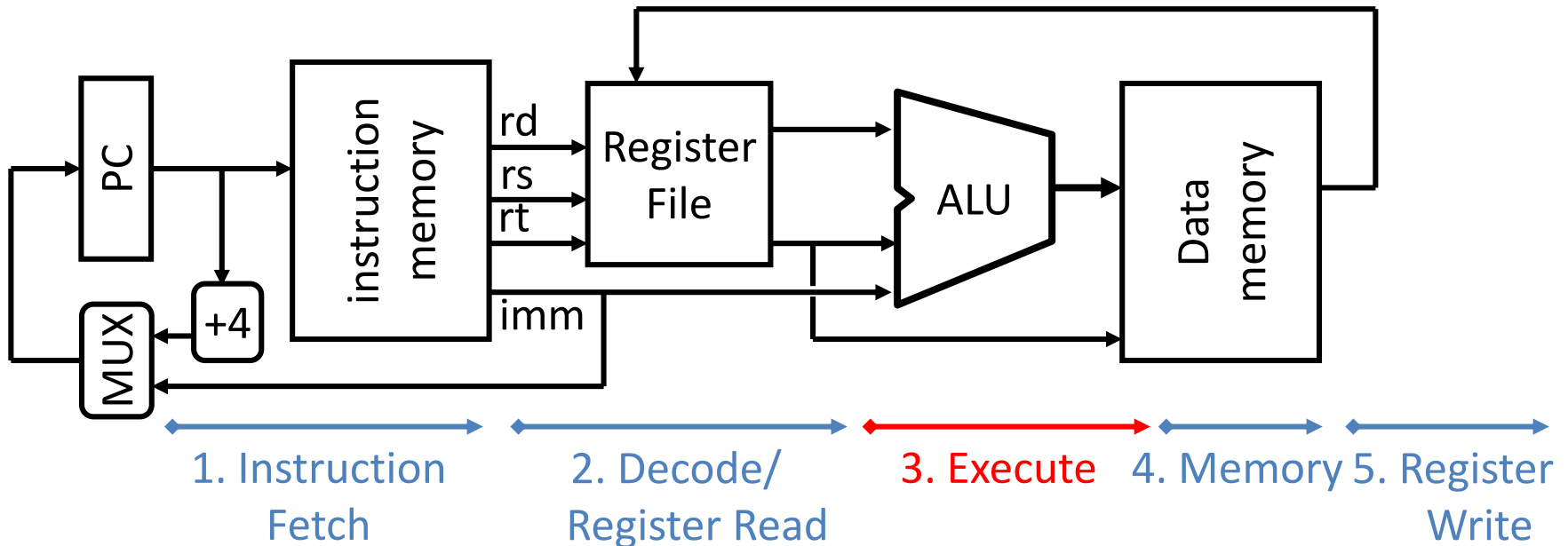


# Datapath Overview (2/5)



- Phase 2: *Instruction Decode* (ID)
  - Read the opcode and appropriate fields from the instruction
  - Gather all necessary registers values from Register File

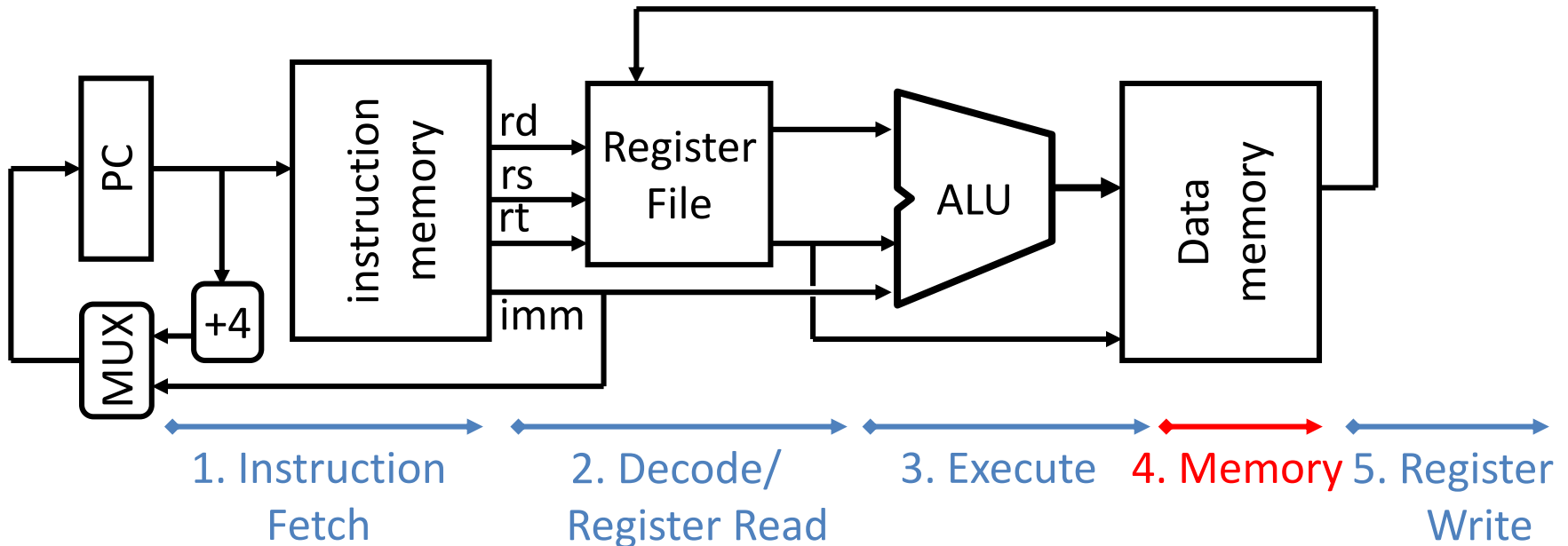
# Datapath Overview (3/5)



- Phase 3: *Execute* (EX)

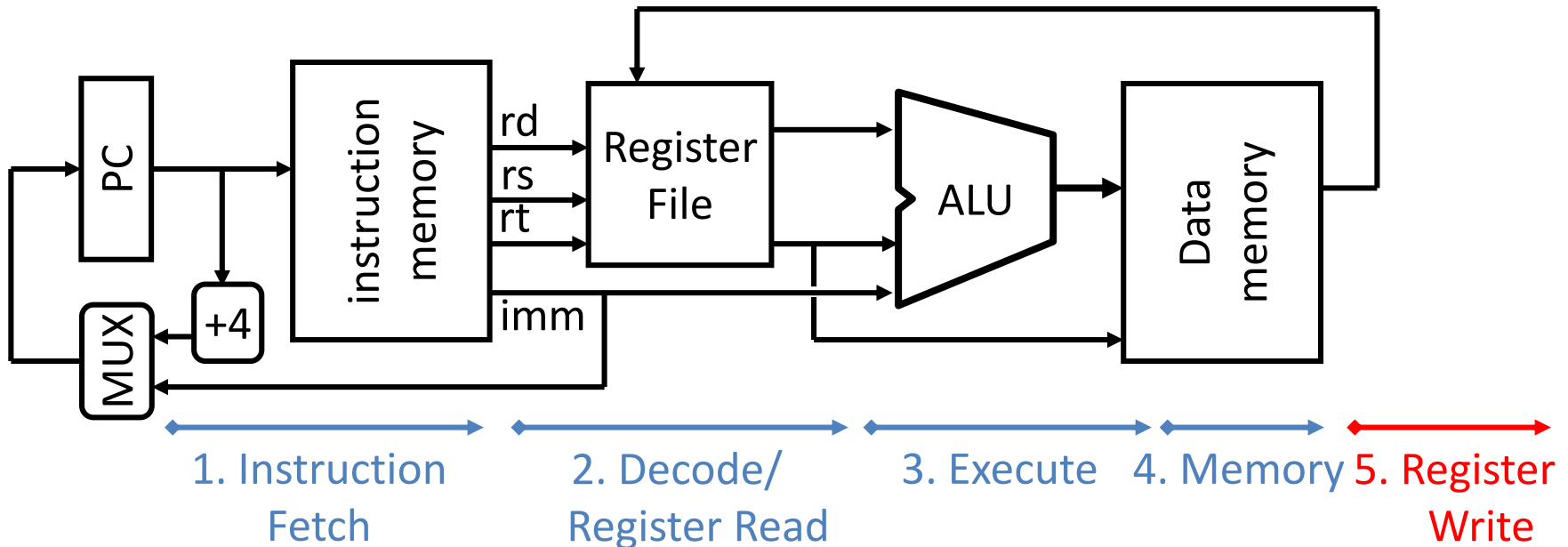
- ALU performs operations: arithmetic (+, -, \*, /), shifting, logical (&, |), comparisons (slt, ==)
- Also calculates addresses for loads and stores

# Datapath Overview (4/5)



- Phase 4: *Memory Access (MEM)*
  - Only load and store instructions do anything during this phase; the others remain idle or skip this phase
  - Should be fast due to caches

# Datapath Overview (5/5)



- Phase 5: *Register Write* (WB for “write back”)
  - Write the instruction result back into the Register File
  - Those that don’t (e.g. `sw`, `j`, `beq`) remain idle or skip this phase

# Why Five Stages?

- Could we have a different number of stages?
  - Yes, and other architectures do
- So why does MIPS have five if instructions tend to idle for at least one stage?
  - The five stages are the union of all the operations needed by all the instructions
  - There is one instruction that uses all five stages:  
*load* (lw/lb)

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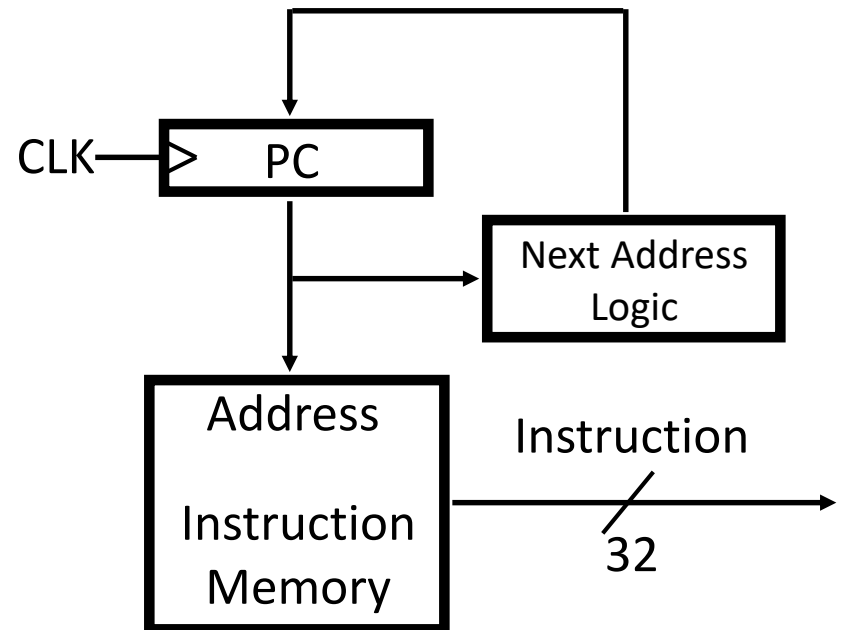
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# Step 3: Assembling the Datapath

- Assemble datapath to meet RTL requirements
  - Exact requirements will change based on ISA
  - Here we will examine *each instruction* of MIPS-lite
- The datapath is all of the hardware components and wiring necessary to carry out all of the different instructions
  - Make sure all components (e.g. RegFile, ALU) have access to all necessary signals and buses
  - Control will make sure instructions are properly executed (the decision making)

# Datapath by Instruction

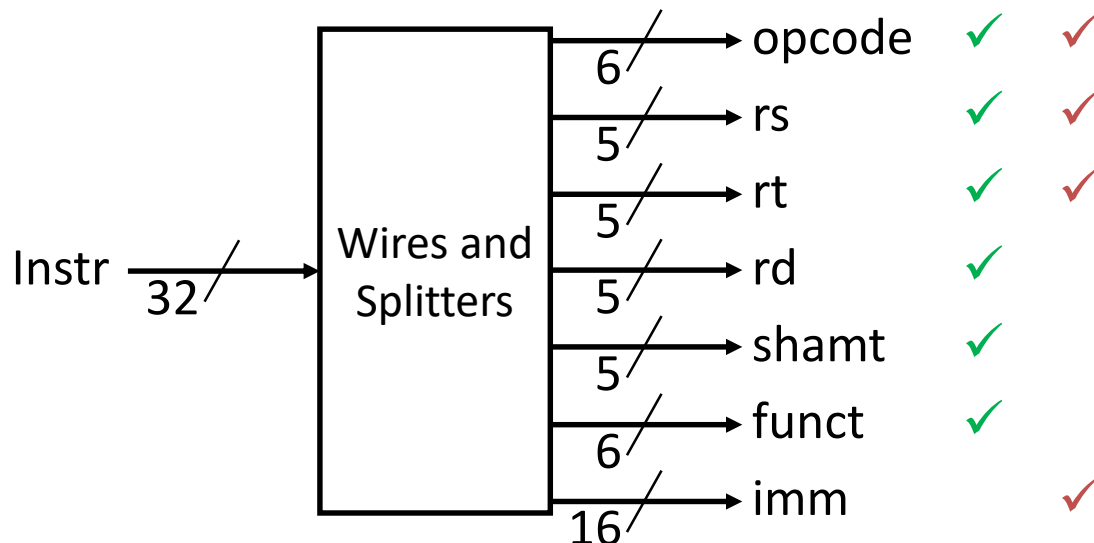
- All instructions: *Instruction Fetch (IF)*
  - Fetch the Instruction:  $\text{mem}[\text{PC}]$
  - Update the program counter:
    - Sequential Code:  
 $\text{PC} \leftarrow \text{PC} + 4$
    - Branch and Jump:  
 $\text{PC} \leftarrow \text{“something else”}$





# Datapath by Instruction

- All instructions: *Instruction Decode (ID)*
  - Pull off all relevant fields from instruction to make available to other parts of datapath
    - MIPS-lite only has **R-format** and **I-format**
    - Control will sort out the proper routing (discussed later)



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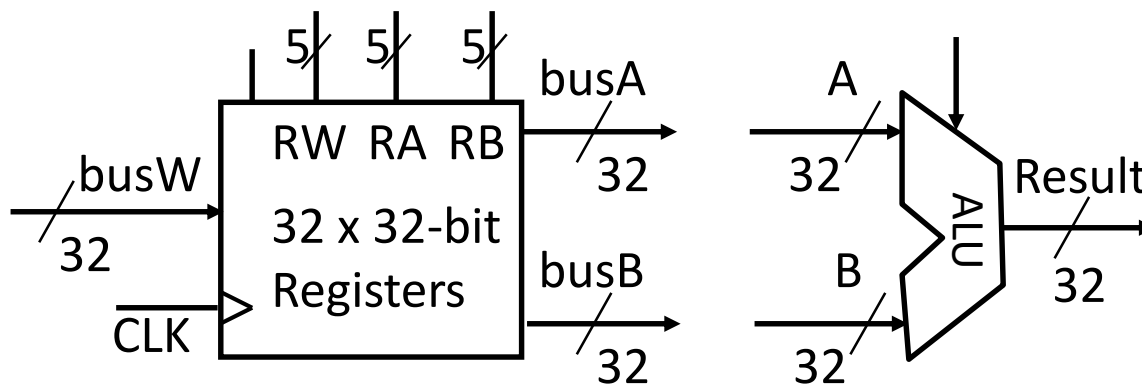
原理与一路入户电分成多路室内电相同。

以Instr[5:0]为例，分一路为funct，另一路为imm的最低5位。

```
assign funct = Instr[5:0] ;  
assign imm = Instr[15:0]
```

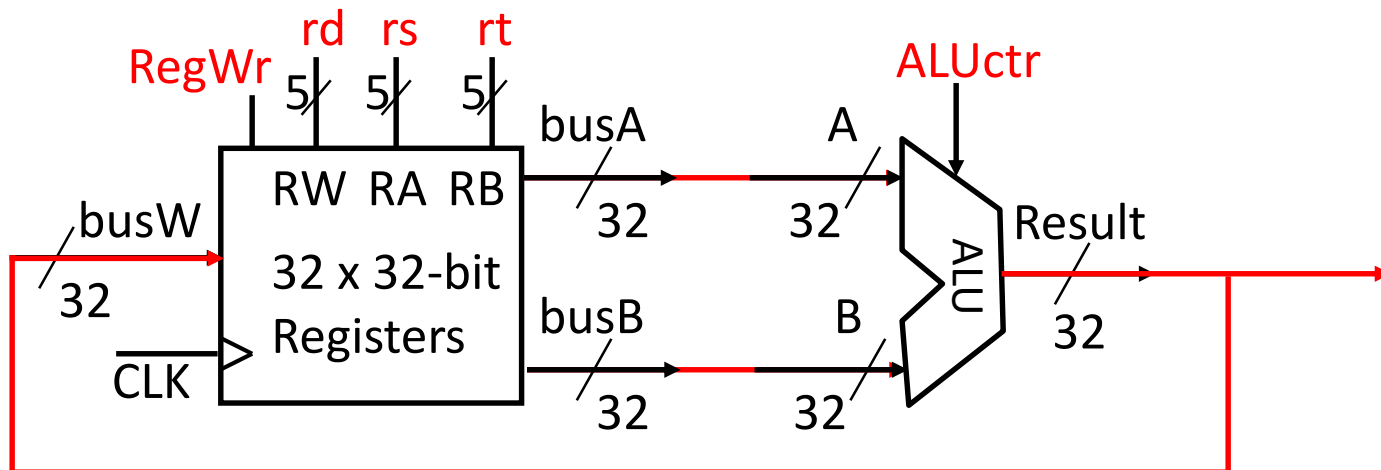
# Step 3: Add & Subtract

- $\text{ADDU } R[\text{rd}] \leftarrow R[\text{rs}] + R[\text{rt}] ;$
- Hardware needed:
  - Instruction Mem and PC (already shown)
  - Register File (RegFile) for read and write
  - ALU for add/subtract



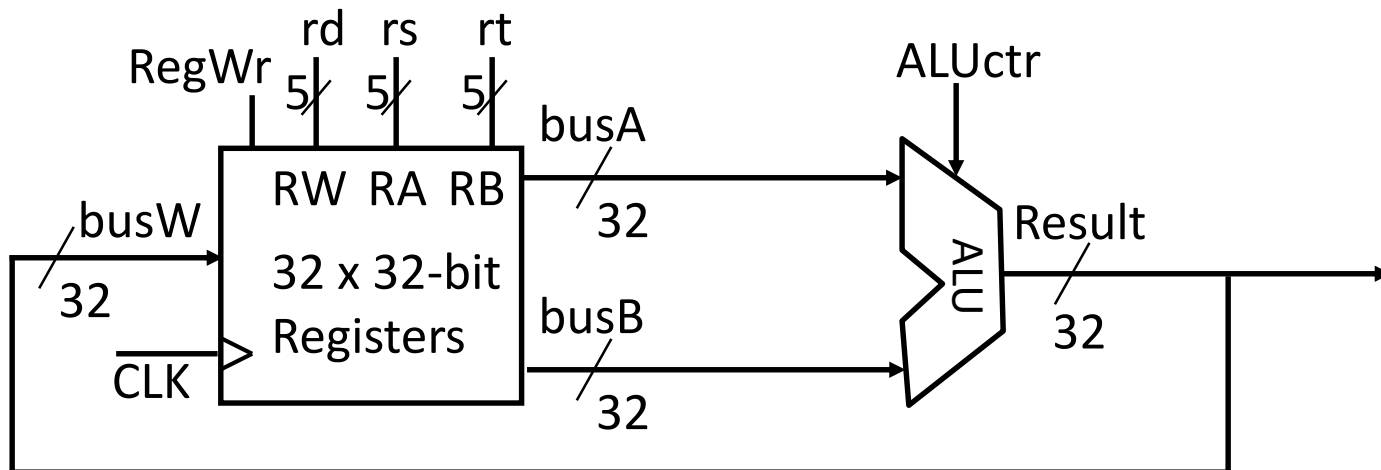
# Step 3: Add & Subtract

- $\text{ADDU } R[\text{rd}] \leftarrow R[\text{rs}] + R[\text{rt}] ;$
- Connections:
  - RegFile and ALU Inputs
  - Connect RegFile and ALU
  - $\text{RegWr}$  (1) and  $\text{ALUctr}$  (ADD/SUB) set by control in **ID**

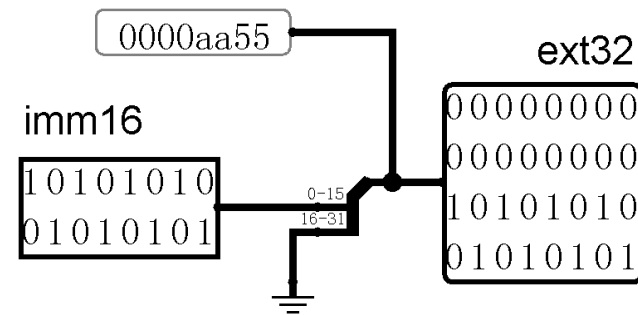


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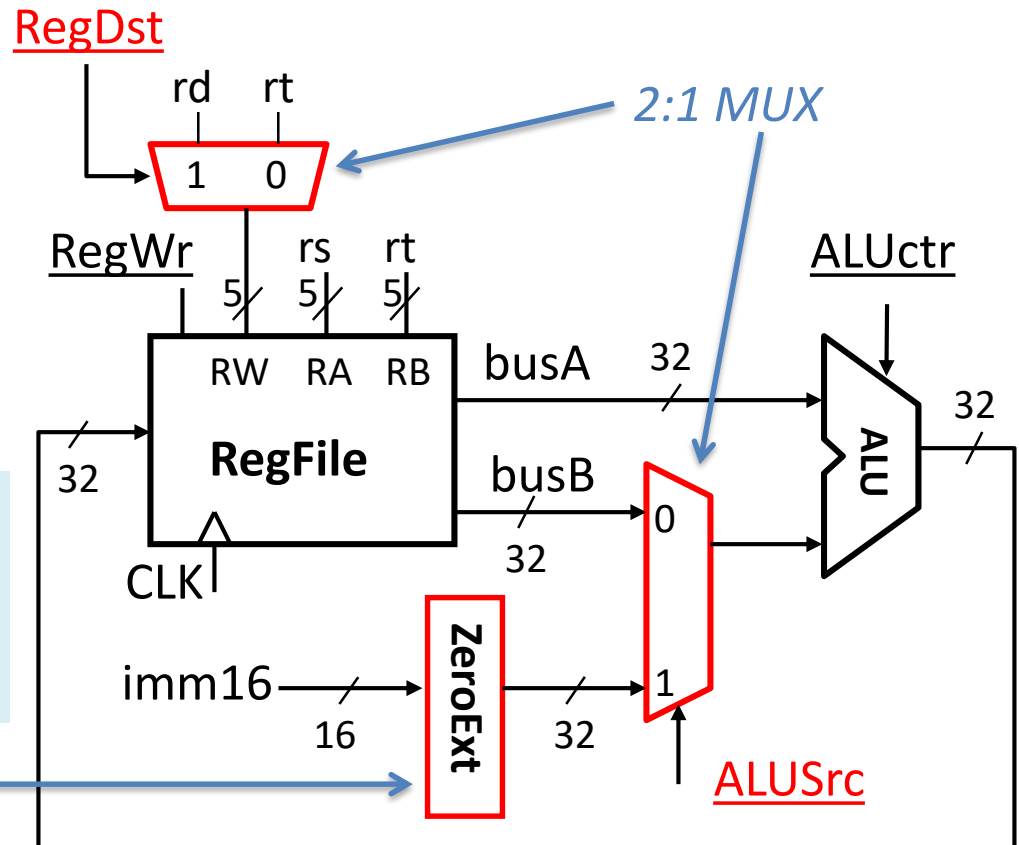
- `ORI R[rt] ← R[rs] | zero_ext(Imm16) ;`
- Is the hardware below sufficient?
  - Zero extend `imm16`?
  - Pass `imm16` to input of ALU?
  - Write result to `rt`?



# Step 3: Or Immediate



- $\text{ORI } R[\text{rt}] \leftarrow R[\text{rs}] \mid \text{zero\_ext}(\text{Imm16}) ;$
- Add new hardware:
  - Still support add/sub
  - New control signals:  $\text{RegDst}$ ,  $\text{ALUSrc}$



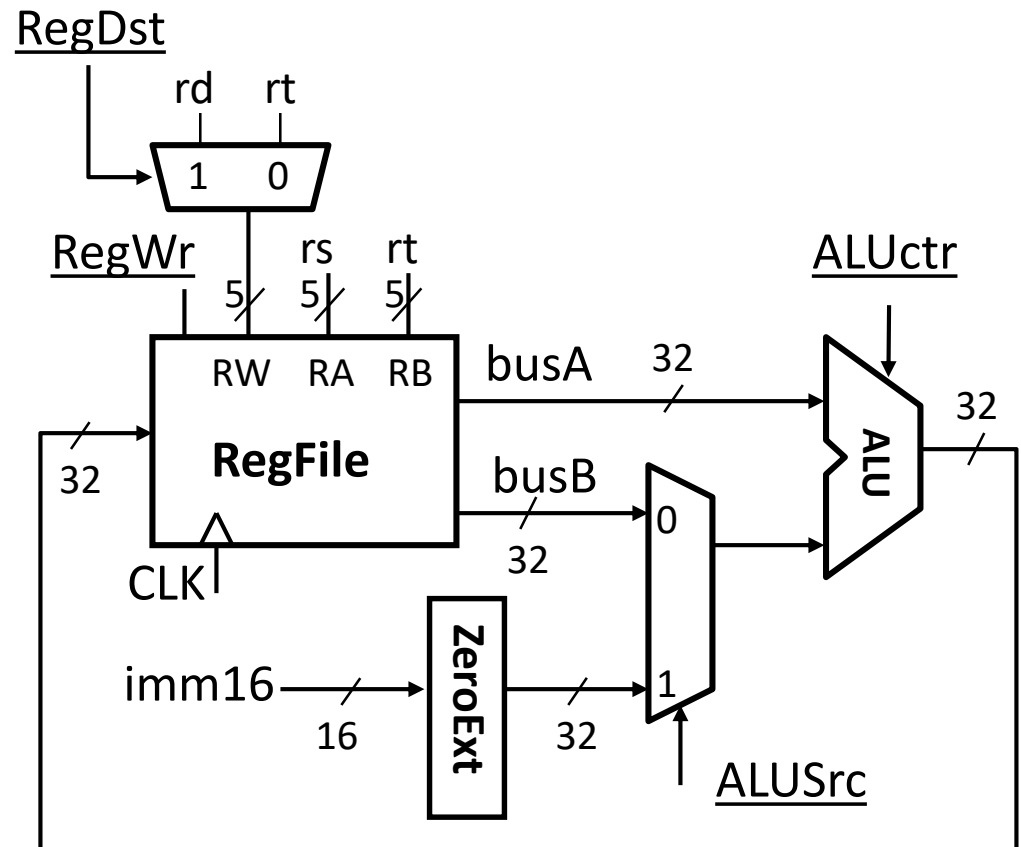
```
input  [15:0] imm16 ;
output [31:0] ext32 ;

assign ext32 = {16'b0, imm16}
```

*How to implement this?*

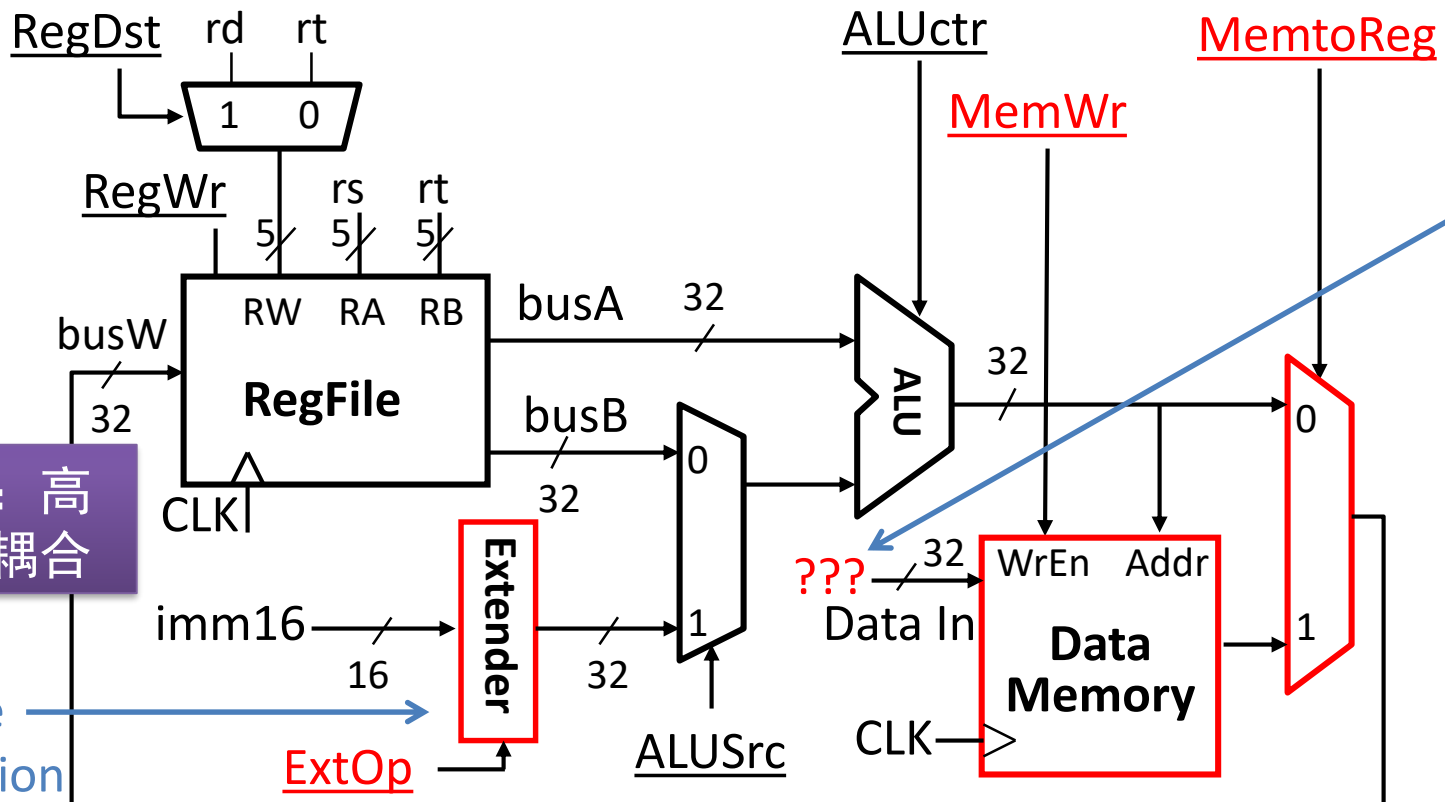
# Step 3: Load

- $\text{LOAD } R[rt] \leftarrow \text{MEM}[R[rs] + \text{sign\_ext}(\text{Imm16})];$
- Hardware sufficient?
  - Sign extend `imm16`?
  - Where's MEM?



## Step 3: Load

- `LOAD R[rt] ← MEM[R[rs] + sign_ext(Imm16)];`
- **New control signals:** `ExtOp, MemWr, MemtoReg`



What goes here during a store?

## 设计原则：高内聚，低耦合

Must now  
also handle —  
sign extension

# Verilog建模扩展单元

## 建模要点：二进制补码的扩展方法

```
1 module EXT32( imm16, extop, ext32 ) ;  
2     input  [15:0] imm16;  
3     input                extop ;  
4     output [31:0] ext32 ;  
5  
6     assign ext32 = extop ? {16{imm16[15]}, imm16} :  
7                           {16'b0, imm16} ;  
8  
9 endmodule
```

Q:

如何改善行6的编码风格以使其可读性更好？

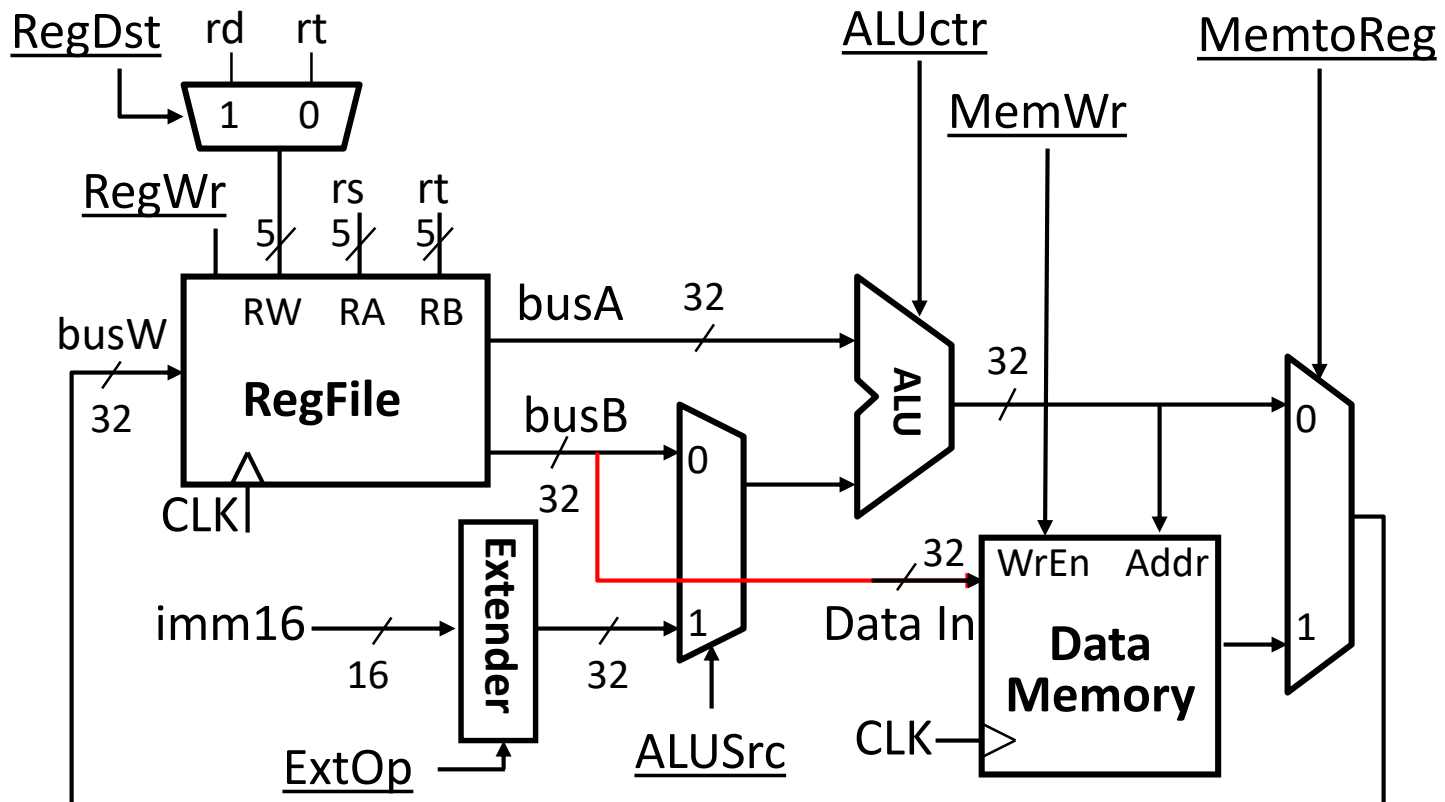
A:

哪怕extop的选项很少，也应该用宏来定义extop的各个取值。增加可读性是降低代码开发与调试复杂度的重要手段。



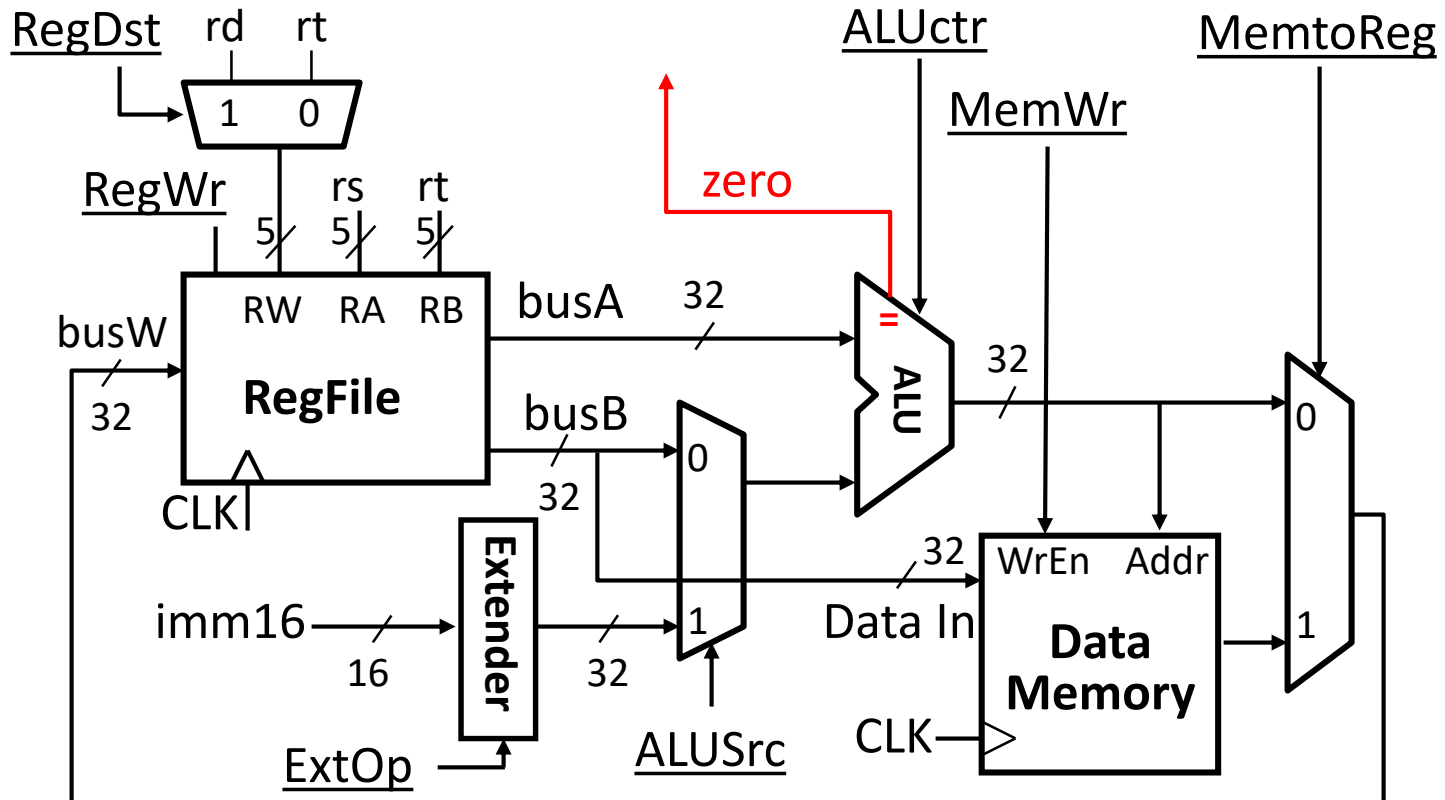
# Step 3: Store

- `STORE MEM[R[rs]+sign_ext(Imm16)] ← R[rt];`
- **Connect busB to Data In (no extra control needed!)**



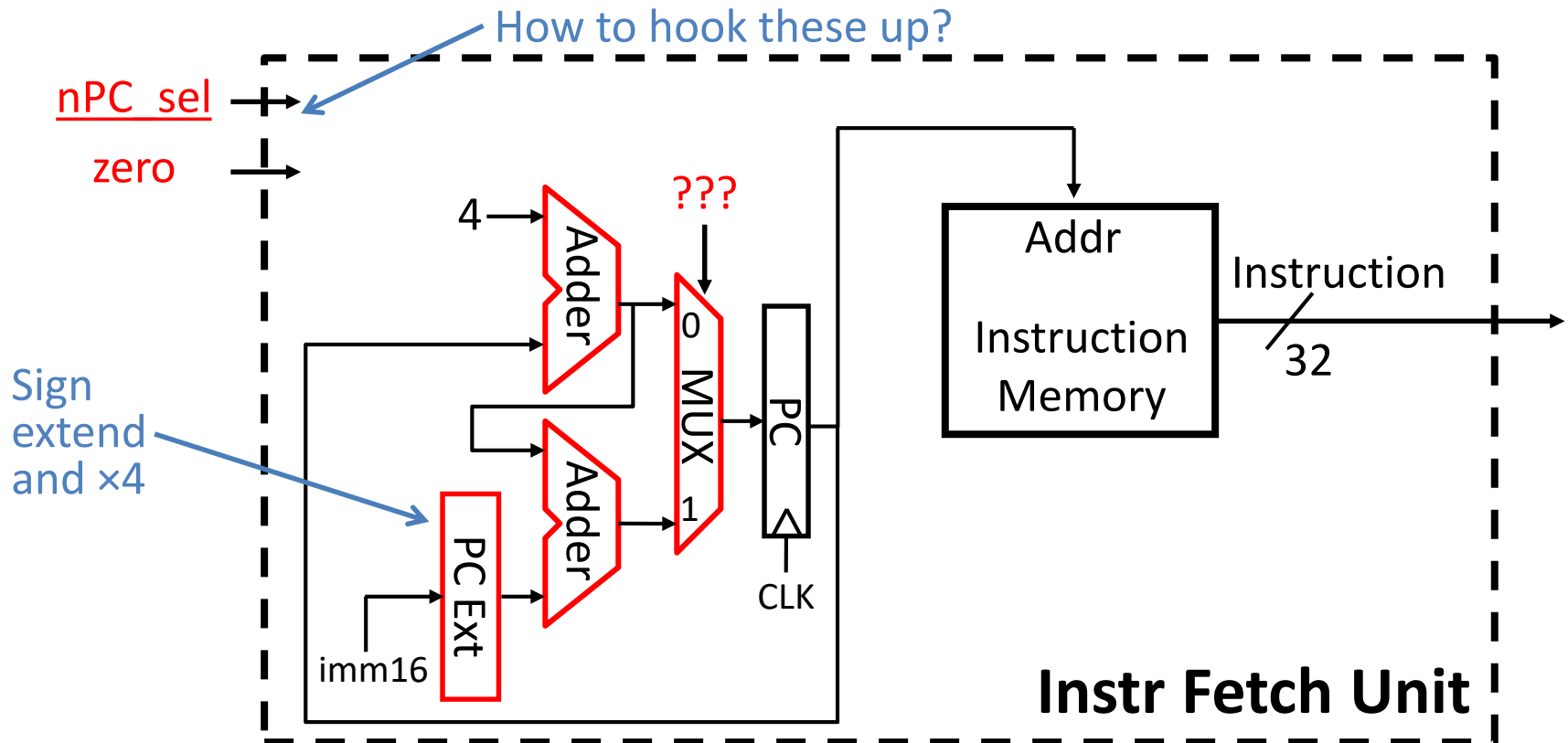
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- $\text{BEQ if}(R[\text{rs}] == R[\text{rt}]) \text{ then } \text{PC} \leftarrow \text{PC} + 4 + (\text{sign\_ext}(\text{Imm16}) \parallel 00)$
- Need comparison output from ALU



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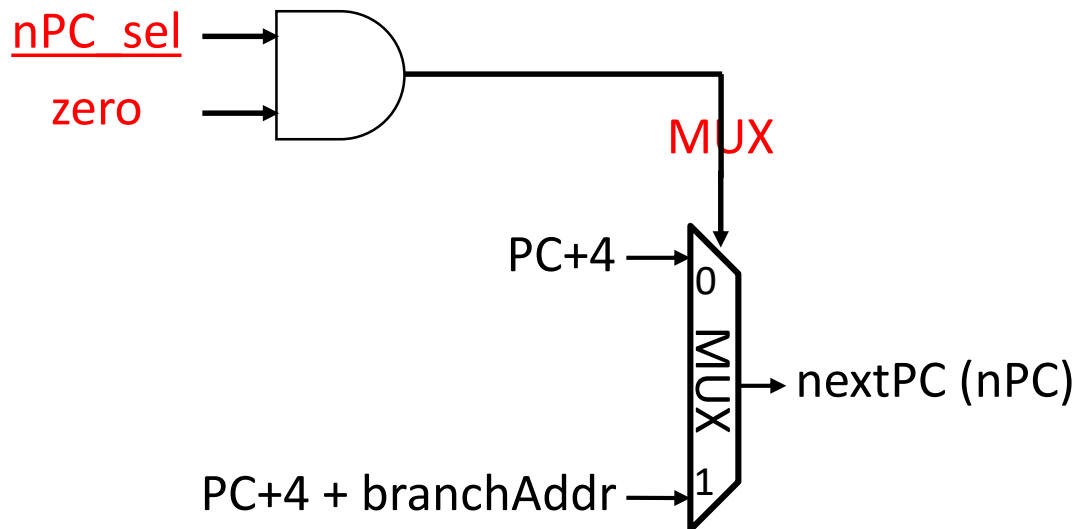
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注意：硬件的计算顺序与软件的计算顺序有本质不同。并行是核心性质！

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- Revisit “next address logic”:
  - nPC\_sel should be 1 if branch, 0 otherwise

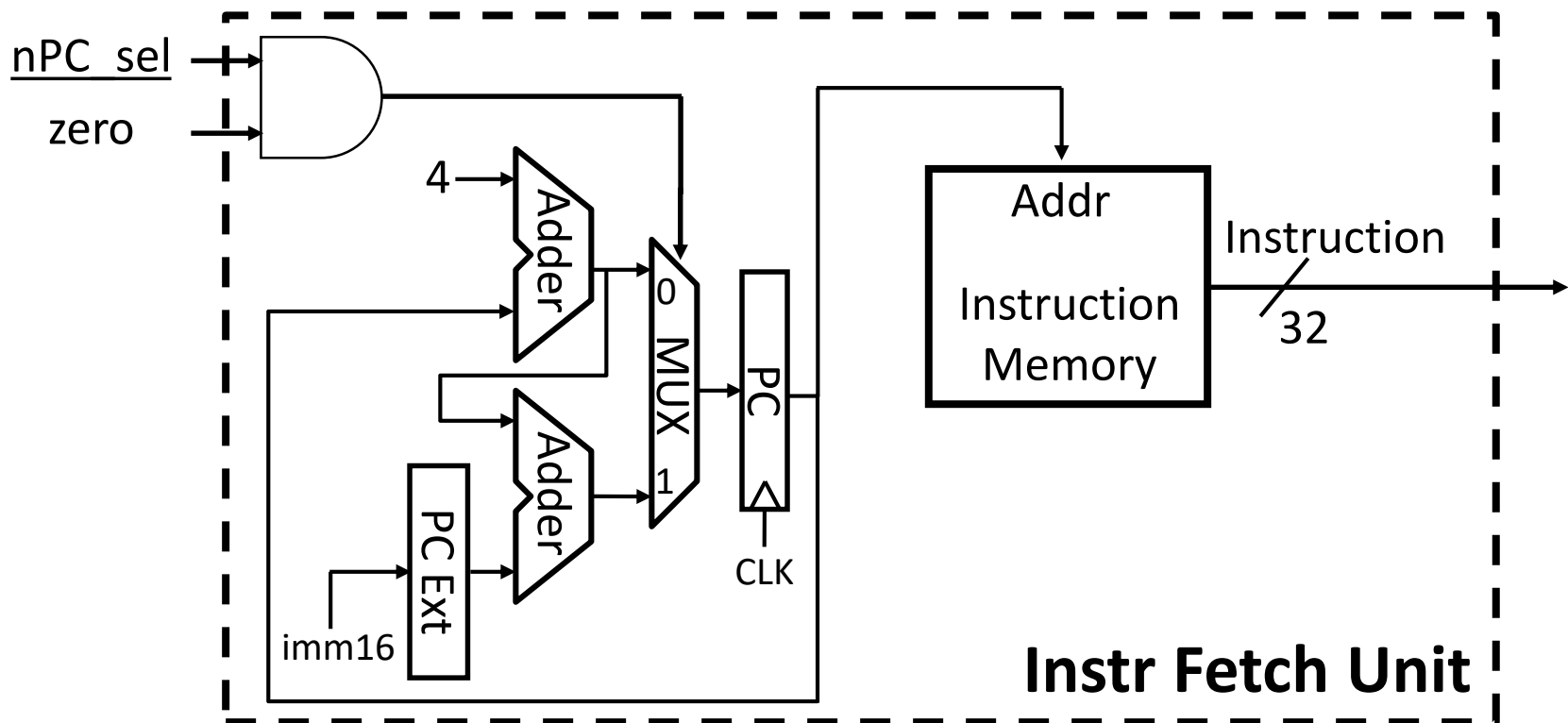


nPC_sel	zero	MUX
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

*How does this change  
if we add bne?*

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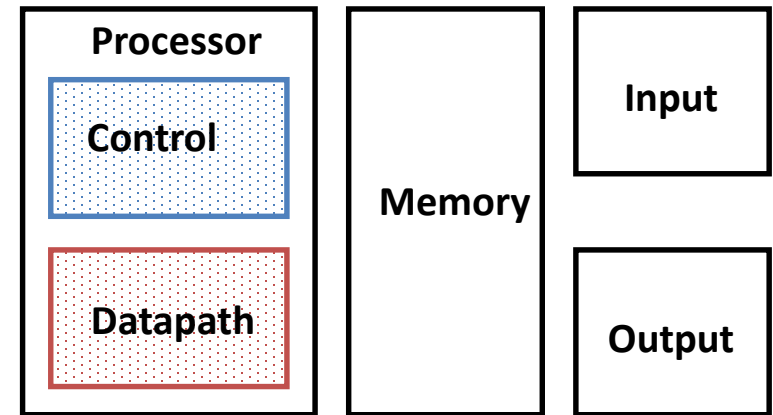
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# Processor Design Process

- Five steps to design a processor:

1. Analyze instruction set → datapath requirements
2. Select set of datapath components & establish clock methodology
3. Assemble datapath meeting the requirements

- Now** {
4. Analyze implementation of each instruction to determine setting of control points that effects the register transfer
  5. Assemble the control logic
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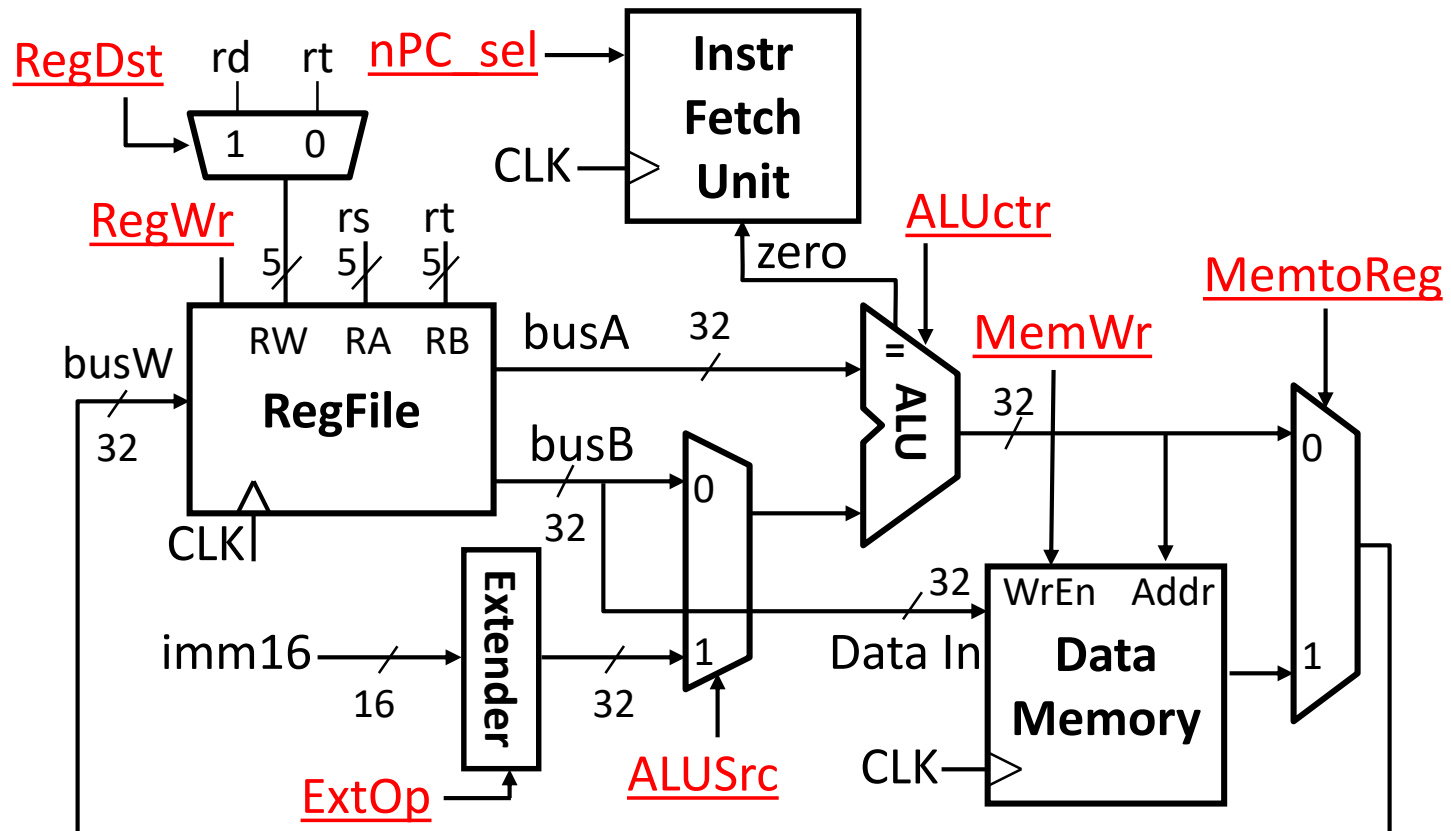
# Control

- Need to make sure that correct parts of the datapath are being used for each instruction
  - Have seen *control signals* in datapath used to select inputs and operations
  - For now, focus on what value each control signal should be for each instruction in the ISA
  - Next lecture, we will see how to implement the proper combinational logic to implement the control



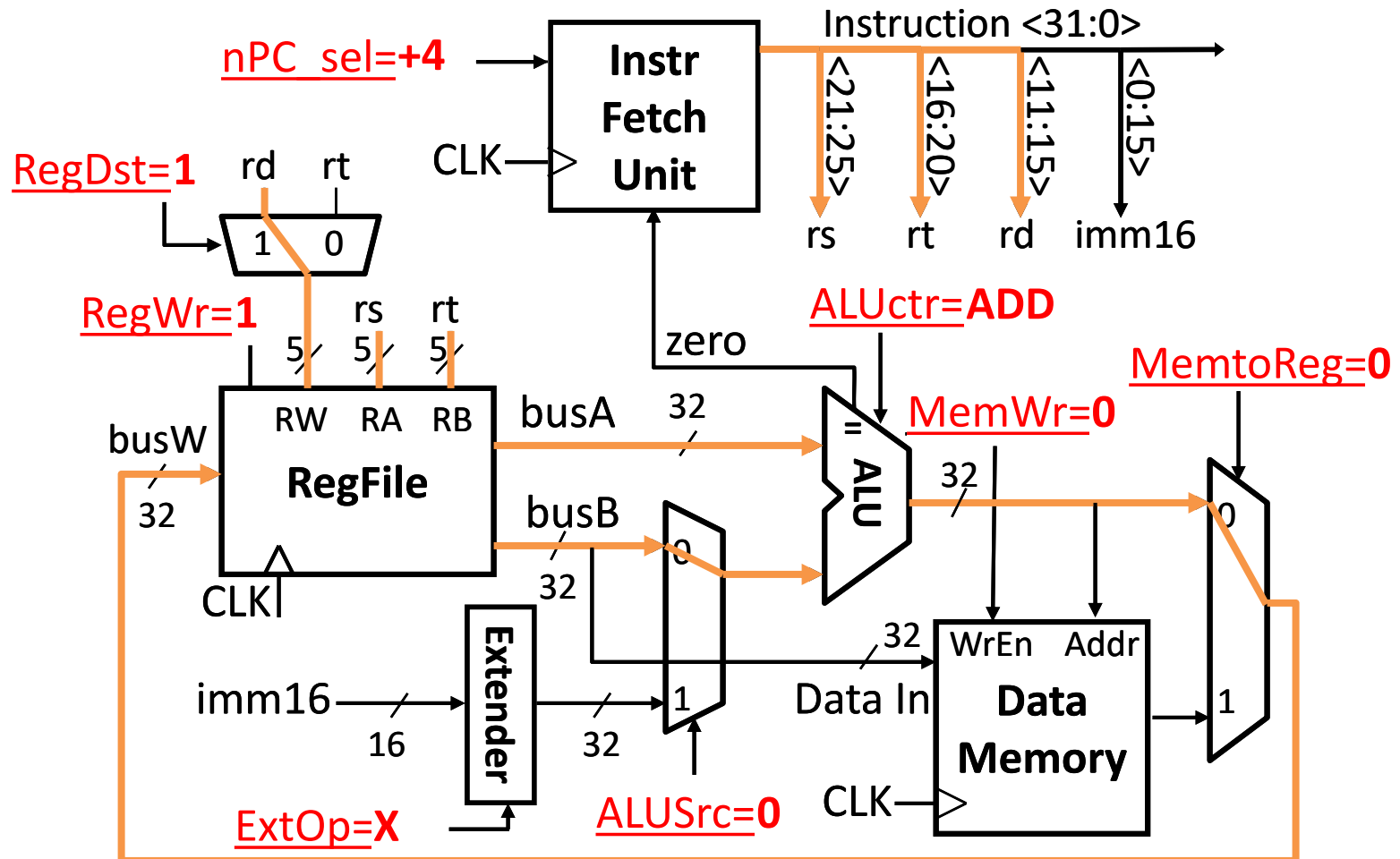
# MIPS-lite Datapath Control Signals

- **ExtOp:** 0  $\rightarrow$  "zero"; 1  $\rightarrow$  "sign"
- **ALUsrc:** 0  $\rightarrow$  busB; 1  $\rightarrow$  imm16
- **ALUctr:** "ADD", "SUB", "OR"
- **nPC\_sel:** 0  $\rightarrow$  +4; 1  $\rightarrow$  branch
- **MemWr:** 1  $\rightarrow$  write memory
- **MemtoReg:** 0  $\rightarrow$  ALU; 1  $\rightarrow$  Mem
- **RegDst:** 0  $\rightarrow$  "rt"; 1  $\rightarrow$  "rd"
- **RegWr:** 1  $\rightarrow$  write register



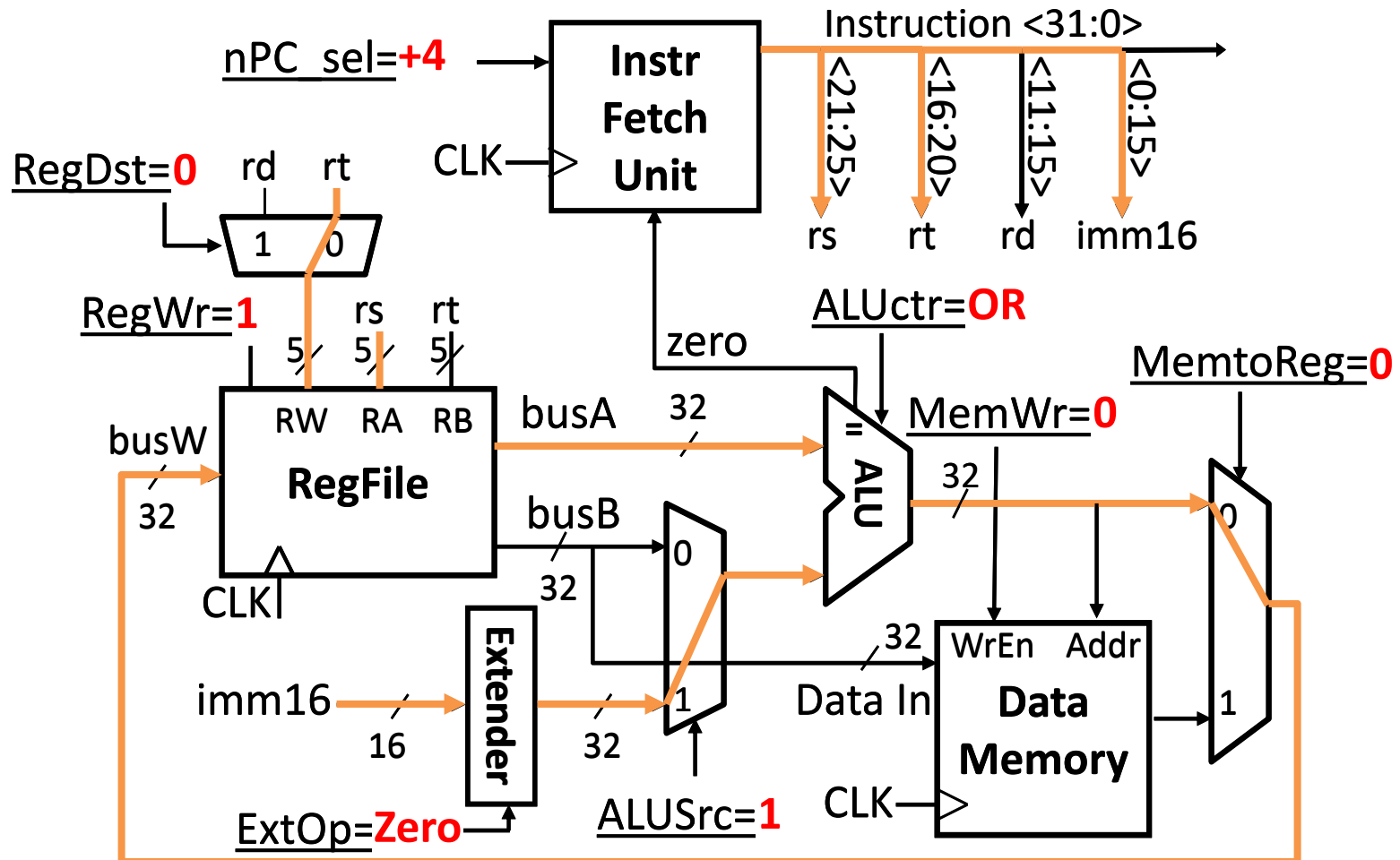
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- $R[rd] \leftarrow R[rs] + R[rt];$



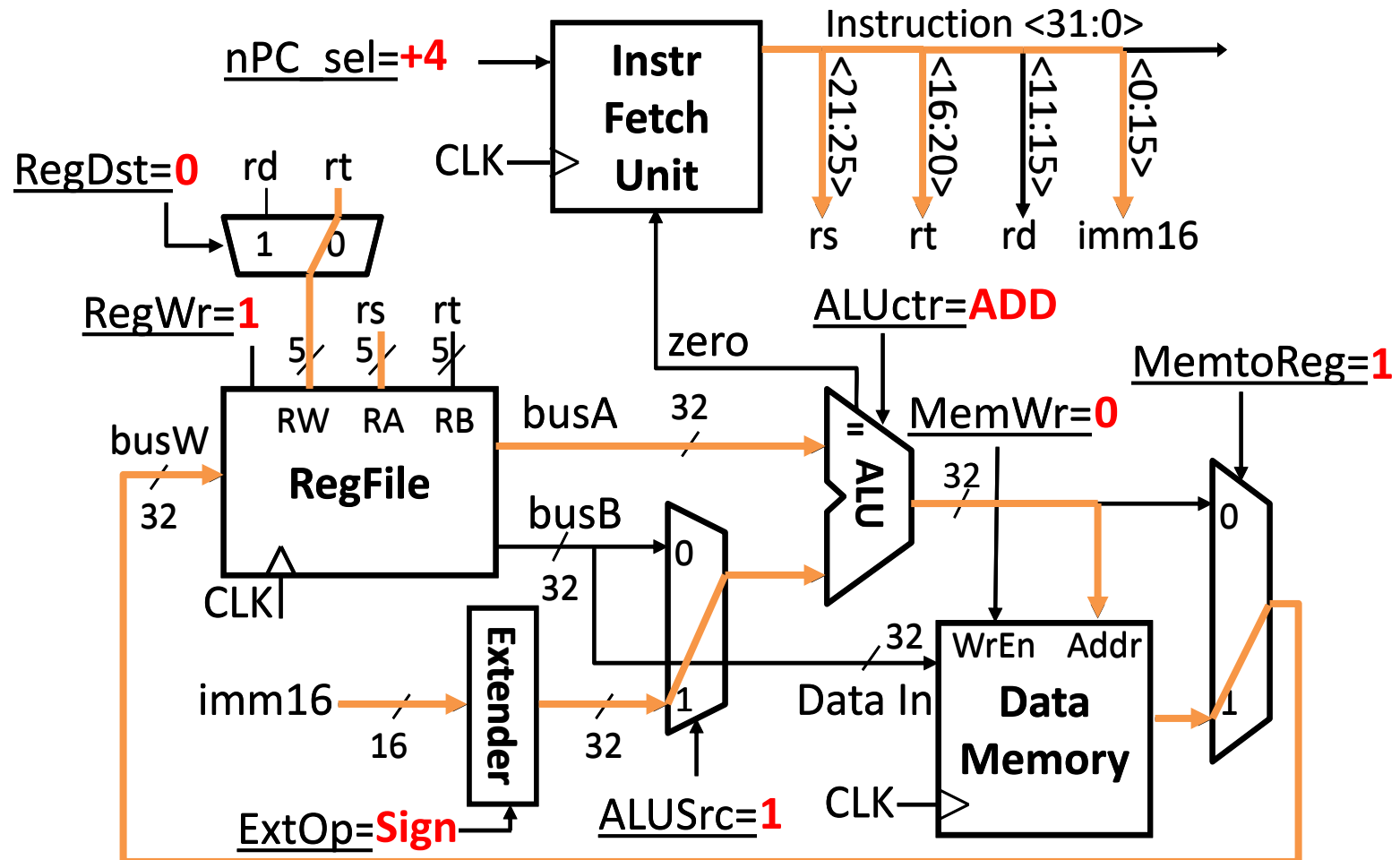
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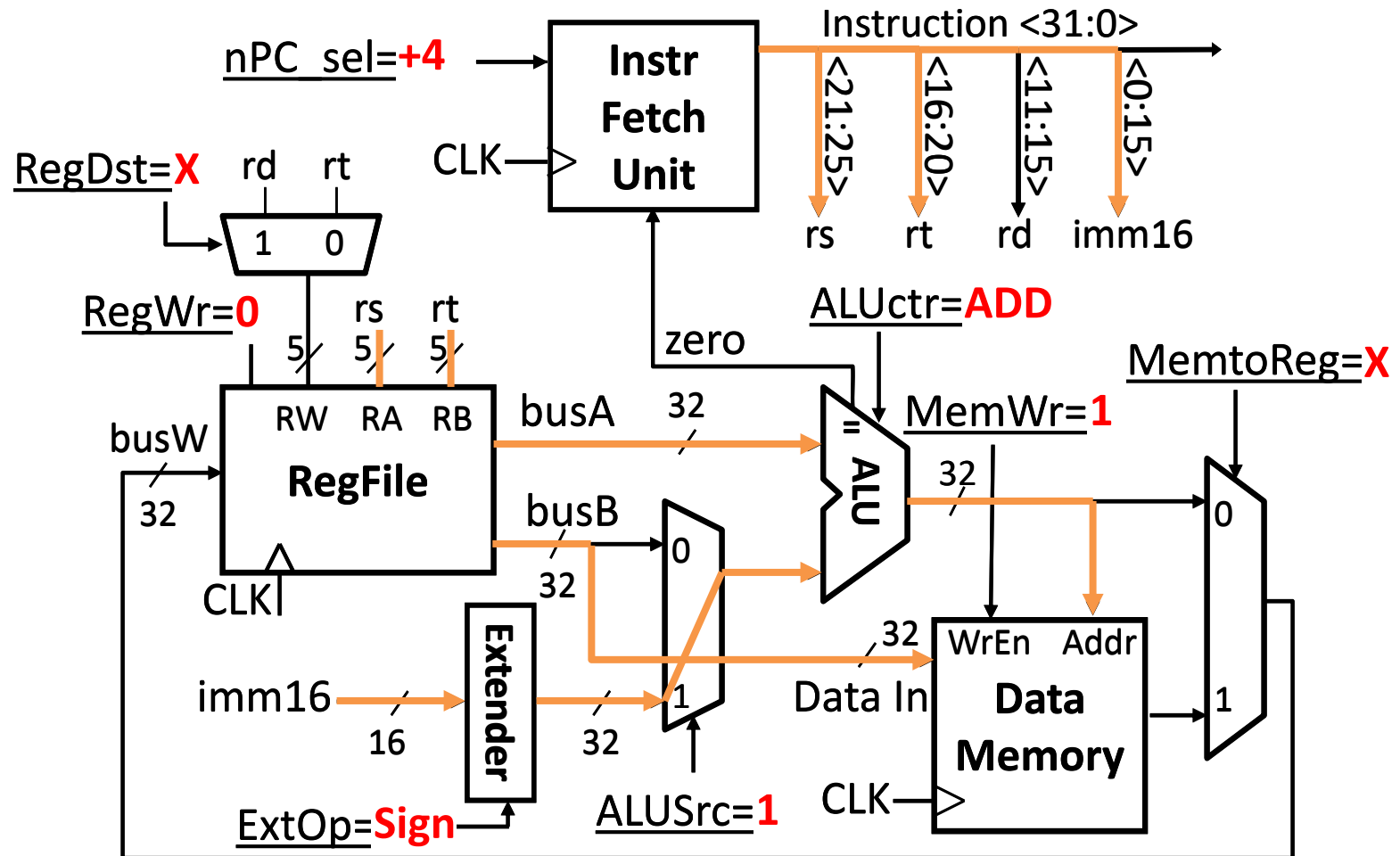
# Desired Datapath For load

- $R[rt] \leftarrow \text{MEM}\{R[rs] + \text{SignExt}[imm16]\};$



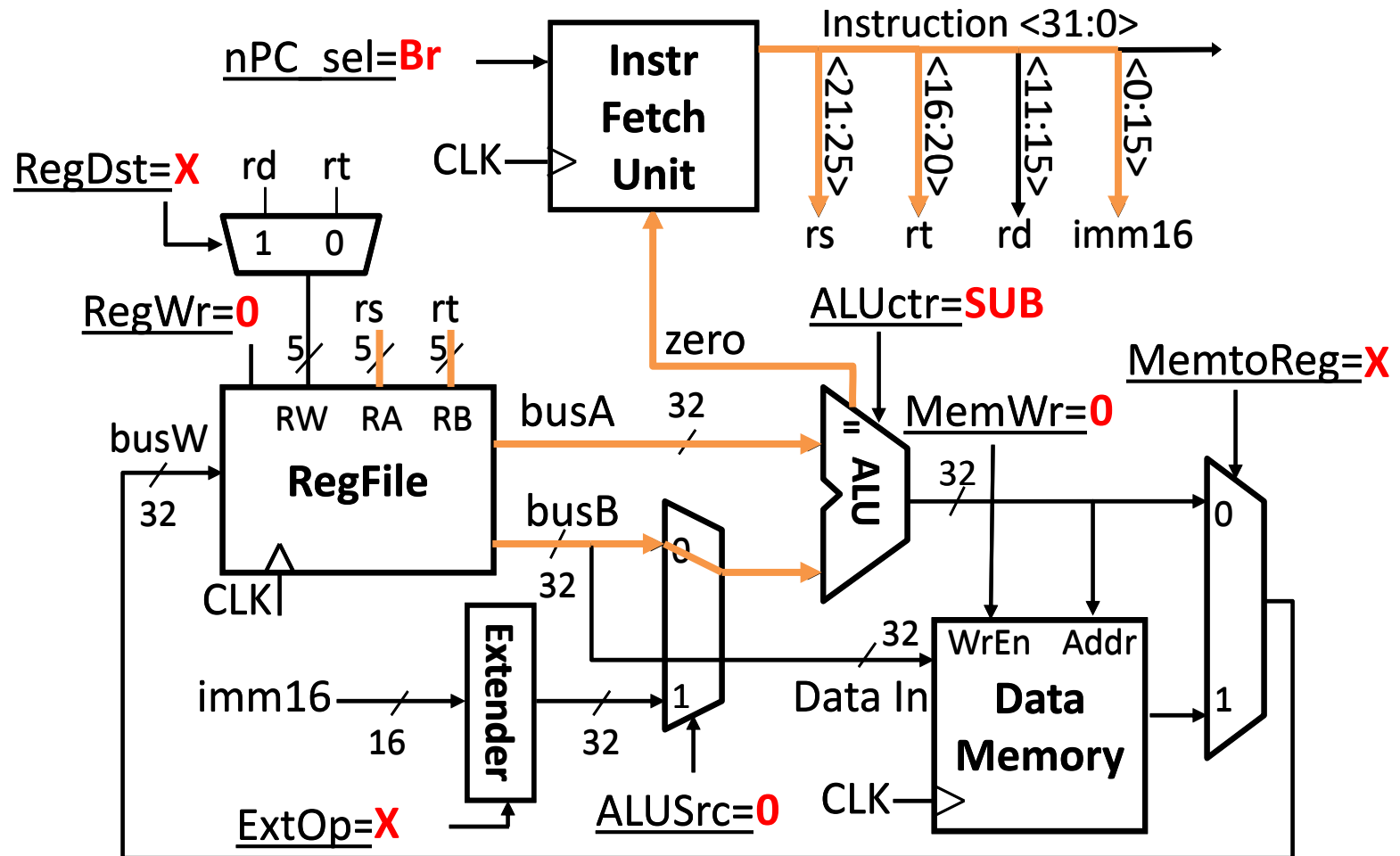
# Desired Datapath For store

- MEM{R[rs]+SignExt[imm16]} ← R[rt];



# Desired Datapath For beq

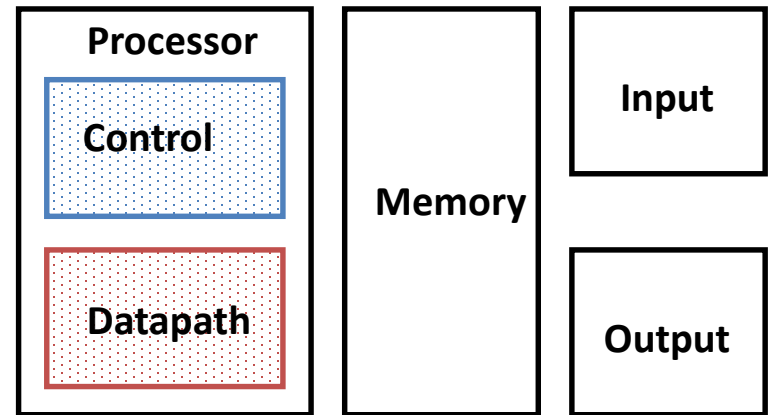
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# Summary (1/2)

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# Summary (2/2)

- Determining control signals
  - Any time a datapath element has an input that changes behavior, it requires a control signal (e.g. ALU operation, read/write)
  - Any time you need to pass a different input based on the instruction, add a MUX with a control signal as the selector (e.g. next PC, ALU input, register to write to)
- Your datapath and control signals will change based on your ISA